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Mrs. F. Meinhart, who resided at 15, H. Street, Modesto, Cal., U.S.A., says:—"For 25 long years I suffered with severe pains in my left side that at times confined me to bed for days. I was unable to do my work or move about. Along with these came dropsy and stomach trouble. I was unable to eat very much without causing gas, pain and distress. Words cannot express my suffering during these years. My husband spent thousands of dollars seeking relief for me. I have been to scores of doctors, many of whom were rated as specialists of high standing, but none was able to tell me what was the trouble and relieve me. Almost every time I went to a doctor I was advised to have my side operated upon or a change of climate for my dropsy and stomach trouble. Fortunately I was not operated upon but my family and I have spent years seeking a climate or medicine that would help me. We left our home at Kansas and travelled to Alabama, Oregon and California and there consulted many specialists of these States, but without avail. I have never gotten any better during these years of travelling and doctoring, but became worse and more discouraged as everything failed. Thinking a dry climate would help, we decided to try San Joaquin Valley and came to Modesto to reside. It was here after a time that I heard of the great benefit of the Poo On Chinese Herbs and the great cures accredited to them. At first I was sceptical and doubtful and thought that they were another panacea. But I decided to go, thinking in my distress, that there was a possible chance left. At the time I went I weighed 125 pounds and to-day I weigh 116 pounds. I must say that the result of taking Poo On Chinese Herbs must have been miraculous to me. After taking the Herbs I was first entirely cured of dropsy and stomach trouble and, after more treatment, the pain in my side left and has never returned. I have never felt better all my life than I do to-day and I own nothing but thanks and gratitude towards Poo On Chinese Herbs and Yee Foo Lun, the Herbalist.

After years of suffering and after the enormous expense of travelling and the endless doctors' bills, there is nothing that I can do but speak good for the Poo On Chinese Herbs and heartily recommend them.

Four other members of my family have also been cured by the Poo On Chinese Herbs which causes me to endorse them more strongly. My husband was suffering from a sore on his hip that was painful and troublesome, and as he was a heavy smoker we believed that it was turning to smoking cancer. He consulted the herbalist and was given some remedies and he was entirely cured and the sore has gone.

My boy Edward, aged 17, was troubled with a pain in his side which caused collapse when he did hard work. We had to see that he was exempted from High School exercises because the pain caused him to drop out. The doctor said that he had appendicitis and that it would be necessary to operate if he expected to be well again. We decided to try Poo On Chinese Herbs and after a few treatments the boy became well and is now able to do all kinds of hard work without any more pain.

Another of my boys, Fred, aged 21, had suffered many years with catarrh and became worse as time went on. He tried many treatments and remedies without result but we can say that after taking some Poo On Chinese Herbs he was completely cured and has never been troubled since.

My daughter Blanch, a few years ago, fell and hurt her side very severely and since that time she was troubled with pain in her side and was unable to find anyone or anything that would help her. The poor girl suffered so much that she had to quit work. A few treatments with the Poo On Chinese Herbs and the girl has been feeling normal ever since.

My whole family cannot express in words its gratitude towards Poo On Chinese Herbs. They have brought health and happiness into our home and have stopped the seemingly endless doctors' bills. We all heartily recommend Poo On Chinese Herbs and have sent many friends to the Herbalist and in every case they have been benefited by Poo On Chinese Herbs.

(During this interview regarding this story taken by a special representative of the newspaper, Mr. F. Meinhart, Sr., was present and said: "We are glad to tell anyone what Poo On Chinese Herbs have done for my family.")

Thousands suffering from catarrh, bronchial and throat trouble, asthma, hay fever, malaria, stomach trouble, indigestion, constipation, gastritis, piles, fistula, heart and skin disease, eczema, scrofula, nervousness, insomnia, obesity, kidney and bladder trouble, diabetes, rheumatism, neuralgia, dropsy, pyorrhea, epileptic fits, paralysis, tumours, ulcers, pimples, family trouble, dizziness, headaches, and many other chronic diseases have been restored to health and happiness without poisonous drugs or the knife by the Poo On Chinese Herbs.

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RUSSIA'S MINERAL WEALTH.
COAL, IRON, ZINC, AND CHEMICALS.
OPTIMISM INCREASING.

The extraordinary mineral wealth of the Soviet empire—immense deposits of fuels, metals and chemicals—has been mentioned by one of the leading Russian geologists, Prof. N. Fedorovsky.

Limiting himself to resources actually known to exist, he estimated that the Soviet possesses about 40 per cent. of the world's entire reserve of oil, coal enough to supply the country for at least two centuries, iron sufficient for hundreds of years, the world's largest supply of salt, peat and large supplies of valuable natural chemicals.

If one permits the fancy to dig into the immense regions of Russia which have not yet been investigated for their natural resources, the estimates could be expanded beyond the confines of ordinary mathematics.

Sudden Awakening.
Prof. Fedorovsky's figures go far to explain the prevailing optimism with which the new rulers of Russia proceed on the painful uphill road of industrialisation. It is an optimism especially startling in Russia, so long considered the native home of pessimism and fatalism. Suddenly some millions of people have awakened to a sense of their physical strength, a consciousness of their possessions in terms of land, of resources and of human material.

The collection of scrap iron is being urged upon the masses as a patriotic class duty. But what of the "junk" is being carefully gathered as it were gold, but the Communists know that two and a half millions tons of iron ore rest underground.

On the Magnitaya Mountain in the southern Urals, and in the Kuznetsky district of Siberia, great new factories are being erected which, as Prof. Fedorovsky says, "will shortly increase by ten times our pre-war production of cast iron and steel."

A large percentage of the foreign imports now consists of copper, zinc, lead, aluminium and other "coloured metals," but this is not likely to continue. The famous Rider source in Altai alone, according to an estimate made by an English geologist, Knox, and confirmed by Prof. Fedorovsky, contains "45 million tons of zinc, 250,000 tons of lead, 250,000 tons of copper, 400 tons of silver and 62 tons of gold."

The leaders of the new Russia see themselves destined to draw these incalculable treasures from the bowels of the earth. They speak of their country as a "new America." Meanwhile they collect scrap iron, starve themselves of goods for which the people are clamouring, struggle against an immense peasant dissatisfaction, and otherwise pay dearly for their industrialization programme.

But they smile optimistically as they do so.

LESSON SERMON.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, HONG KONG.

"Soul" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, February 17th.

The Golden Text was: "Bless the Lord, O my soul; and all that is within me, bless his holy name" (Ps. 103: 1).

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon were the following from the Bible: "Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also" (Matt. 6: 19-21).

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following passages from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "Man walks in the direction towards which he looks, and where his treasure is, there will his heart be also. If our hopes and affections are spiritual, they come from above, not from beneath, and they bear as of old the fruits of the Spirit" (p. 451).

The cruel infatuation of animals was alleged at Liverpool Police Court when three performers in a circus which has just terminated its engagement in Liverpool were summoned. Captain Herman Frok, known as the Roman Gladiator, a wild animal tamer, was accused of the cruel infatuation of five lions, a tiger, and Emmanuel Williams, the owner of a troupe of performing horses, and his daughter Eliza Williams, were accused of the infatuation of a horse. The case was adjourned until April 24th.

LADIES' RECREATION CLUB.
ANNUAL MEETING AT H.M. INSTITUTE.

Mrs. Hancock in the chair at the annual meeting of the Ladies' Recreation Club held on Friday last in the Helena May Institute said *inter alia*: Whereas we started the year with an overdraft of \$1,743.60, the working account for 1927 showing a loss of \$1,182.23, we have made a profit for the year under review of \$1,967.36 and finished off with a credit balance of \$124.17, which is very satisfactory.

Your committee are at last in a position to start a sinking fund against contingencies, and propose as a beginning to put on a Fixed Deposit for a year, with the Bank, \$500. At the last annual meeting it was agreed that \$300 of the increased revenue from the raised subscriptions should be earmarked for repairs and upkeep of courts, wire nettings, etc.

The surface of the hard courts is badly in need of repair, and work has already been commenced on one, No. 4, which was in the worst condition. Repairs to the other courts will be proceeded with in due course.

Mrs. Davenport Browne seconded and the reports and accounts were carried unanimously.

The Committee.
The following were elected to serve on the General Committee of the Club for the ensuing year:—Mrs. Comrie, Mrs. Haslam, Mrs. Tottenham, Mrs. Doyle, Mrs. Davenport Brown, Mrs. Timson, Mrs. Grigor.

The Balloting Committee were elected as follows:—Mrs. Adams, Miss Stubblings, Mrs. Updell and Mrs. Digby.

THE BANVARD COMPANY.

A BRILLIANT SHOW.

It is always a pleasure to write a few words in praise of a good show, and the Banvard Company gave much more than that on Saturday night at the Star Theatre, Kowloon. It was really a brilliant performance, such as rarely comes on the Far East circuit. The audience was most enthusiastic, and repeatedly demanded encores, but the programme was a long one, and apparently the stage manager is not in favour of repeating items. He is not to be blamed, for if he had permitted the first encore demanded, he could not have refused any of the others, and it would have been breakfast-time before the final curtain fell! And here let a bouquet be thrown at the stage manager for the very special action he has organised. There is a "song" in the presentation of "twenty-five different items which does him very great credit as a producer.

To give a list of the artists and the numbers given conveys nothing to the reader as to the merit of a performance. Let it suffice, then, to say that the Banvard Company includes first-class talent in every line necessary for a show of the Folie Bergere type. Good ballad singing, sparkling humour—in song and story—and brilliant dancing. There is real wit in the scenes and burlesques, and there was a very pleasing and quite unusual scarcity of gags and jokes of pre-war vintage (and the Crimean war, at that!). There was more genuine fun in the two-minute "stunts" than one gets in a whole evening at some shows. The items presented on Saturday night were naturally of varying merit, but the worst was better than the best in some mis-called "entertainments" we have had the misfortune to sit through.

The dresses—and costumes—for the ladies are said to have been supplied by Max Woide, of Paris; the wipers is quite prepared to believe it—they certainly have a Parisian flavour!

Anyone who wants a good evening's amusement can be certain of getting it at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, during the stay of the Banvard Company. If the various other shows to be presented during their stay are up to the standard of Saturday night's performance, they ought to stay a month here instead of a week or so. Particulars of change of programme are announced elsewhere.

TO-DAY'S WIRELESS PROGRAMME.

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1.45 p.m.—Weather report.
5.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.—Demonstration programme.
7.45 p.m.—Evening weather report.
8 p.m.—Evening programme (Columbia records).
10.10 p.m.—News bulletin.
10.30 p.m.—Close down.

FAREWELL TO MRS. LUARD.

THE K.O.S.B. VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT.
ENTHUSIASTIC HOUSE.

The variety entertainment arranged by the 2nd Battalion of the King's Own Scottish Borderers as a farewell to Mrs. Luard, wife of the retiring G.O.C. (His Excellency Major-General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G.), and given at the Theatre Royal on Saturday night, was an unqualified success.

The entertainment committee had secured the assistance of some of our most talented local artists and presented a programme with vocal, instrumental and humorous items as well as the music of the K.O.S.B. band, and an exhibition of Highland dancing.

The money raised by the entertainment will be given to the Hong Kong Branches of the Soldiers', Sailors' and Airmen's Families' Association and the Garrison Ladies' Help Society, both of which societies concentrate particularly on the work of obtaining employment for and assisting the wives, widows, children and dependants generally of Service men, and giving help in times of sickness.

The theatre was well filled. His Excellency the Governor (Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.) was present with a party in the front row of the dress circle, and many local people were there besides Service men and officers with their wives.

The Organising Committee were: President, Lieut.-Colonel L. J. Comyn, C.M.G., D.S.O. Secretary and Treasurer, Capt. G. H. R. Abbott. Stage Director, Lieut.-Col. Mr. W. F. Pyper, D.C.M. Musical Director, Bandmaster W. H. Fitz-Earle, A.R.C.M., who also conducted during the whole evening.

The programme opened with a brand number "Songs and Dances of the Homelands," arranged by Mr. Fitz-Earle, which was vociferously applauded and followed by two encores. Then Mrs. Bowes-Smith sang very charmingly "Summer" (Cobra) and "An April Birthday" (London Herald) giving a pretty encore in response to continued applause.

Then came Mr. Oscar Eager, the "Partridge" of "Tom Jones," and a well-known local humorist. Mr. Eager had adopted for the evening the pseudo-panoramic apparel of George Robey and gave two amusing and novel songs which delighted his hearers. His encore "Don't be cruel to a vegetable" will no doubt be a popular tune in Service and other messes for some time to come as the whole audience seemed to be humming it during the interval.

Mrs. Cashman gave two splendid piano-forte solos. "Etudes in A Minor" (Paganini-Liszt) and an encore, "Liszt's Nightingale." Mrs. Cashman finally disposed of the idea that a classical number does not go down in a "popular" programme. No items were more generously applauded.

Mrs. F. Bunje, a new performer in Hong Kong, at once captivated her audience with that old favourite Anstey's "Row in the Pit" over a Cockney lady's "flower bed of a 'at," and she was equally good about Liz's "New Gramophone" and her "old men's taste for something" thriller—about drink. Scottish dancing is always sure of a welcome and the Argyll Broadsword, followed by the Sixtensons Reel were danced with all the fervour of a "gatherin' of the clans." In the second part of the programme the K.O.S.B. band again took a prominent part. There were however exceedingly good individual numbers, Mrs. O. C. Womack sang the "Jewel Song" with the skill that one always expects from her, Mr. Hannibal was his delightful, humorous self, and Mr. Baleen played extremely well the "Introduction to Rondo Capriccioso" of Saint Saens.

The final numbers were strongly Scottish. Mr. G. Macleod carrying us back to the land of glens and mountains with his "The MacGregor Gathering" and the March of the Cameron Men. The band which had opened after the interval with Reminiscence of Tschickowalla now gave a "Grand Scottish Fantasia" in which we heard once more such immortal airs as "Bonnie Dundee," "The Flowers of Edinburgh," "Turn Ye to Me," "Maclean of Ardgour's Lament," "Comin' Thro' the Rye," the "Skye Boat Song," Strathspey "The Marquis of Huntley's Highland Fling," Reel, "The Wind that Shakes the Barley," and "Will ye no come back again."

The Band then played the Regimental March of the Durham Light Infantry. Major-General Luard's old Regiment, and then as a finale came "David Lang Byne," "Bliss Bonnell O'er The Border," and God Save the King. The accompanists for the evening were Mrs. Hargreaves-Brown, Mrs. G. W. G. Grigg, and Mr. A. M. Bowes-Smith, and the band was under the baton of Mr. W. H. Fitz-Earle, A.R.C.M.

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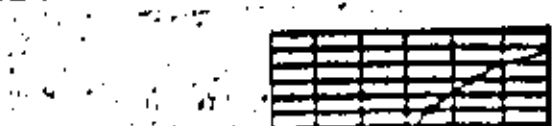
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THE WOMAN'S CORNER.

THE CHATTEL-HOOD OF WIVES.

[By SIR EDWARD PARRY.]

It is recently recorded that a judge, in addressing a sinful co-respondent, reminded him that if he had stolen the petitioner's watch he would have been sent to prison. Psychologically this is probably an example of judicial activism, since it assumes a legal analogy between a watch and a wife.

With great respect, I doubt if in English law to-day any taint of chattel-hood still adheres to a wife. A watch, or any other mechanical servant of man—even I think, a Robot, however intelligent in speech or movement—is a chattel, and therefore the subject of larceny. *Aliter*, a wife.

The Jackson Case.

But in my early years in the Temple the chattel-hood of wives was still a principle of the English law. It was only in 1887, in the famous Jackson case, that Lord Halsbury, somewhat to the surprise of the Bench and the Bar of his generation, swept away the authorities entitling a husband to beat, correct, and control his wife, as "not, I think, now capable of being cited as authorities in a court of justice in this or any civilised country."

In a few courageous phrases Lord Halsbury and Lord Esher abolished a legal principle which had been well established in our laws since the Dooms of Ethelbert, and had been slavishly followed by succeeding generations of dry-as-dust Doomsters and Deemsters as a social rule of sacred origin.

Sold With a Halter Round Her Neck.

For, under the shadow of the Doom, the modern Englishman claimed to sell his chattel wife in market overt, as Thomas Hardy describes with accuracy in "The Mayor of Casterbridge." You will find the "market rules about such

sales in the Toll Books of the Nineteenth Century. No wife could be sold for less than a shilling, and to make good delivery a chattel wife must be handed over to a purchaser with a new halter round her neck.

100 Years Ago.

A French visitor to our island, about a hundred years ago, describes a sight at Smithfield Market which he thought very extraordinary. There was a man leading his wife by a "cord who took up his stand and began to hawl out: "A guinee schellings ma femme! Qui veut femme pour guinee schellings! At length a purchaser appears. The inspection is favourable. There is a long bargaining. The price is struck and the purchaser walks off with his new wife "qui parait avoir de vingt à vingt-deux ans et était assez jolie."

£10 and a Motor Lorry.

Only the other day, in Johannesburg, in 1927 to be exact, a gold digger sold his wife for £10 and a motor lorry. This transaction was pleaded as a defence and set off to an action for the return of the lorry.

The world moves very slowly, and maybe I am optimistic in thinking we have liberated our law from all traces of the chattel-hood of wives. If your dog or your wife bites your neighbour you pay damages for the torts of your exuberant chattels. The wife, alas! is here more chattelised than the dog, for she has no privilege of one free bite.

It comforts me to think that the law moves so slowly towards higher and saner things, for the history of the chattel-hood of wives assures me that none of the legal reforms I advocate will ever be adopted prematurely.

YOUR HOME AND MINE.

SAVORY HAM.

When the ham, all peppered and cloved, is slipped in the oven for its last hours of baking, then can the housewife sit back with an unfretted brow and rest content that the problem of what to give the family is solved for the next few days—depending, of course, upon the size of the ham, the family and their aptitude for it.

story. Having procured your ham, boil until the skin puckers up and the ham is tender. Remove the skin, baste with vinegar, dress with pepper and bake until thoroughly brown. A ham to be delicious must be thoroughly cooked—none of the sweetness is lost in the cooking. Cook almost to the point where it begins to crumble, and carve thin slices.

When baking a ham, wash the ham thoroughly the day before, sprinkle with soda, and rinse in cold water. Let stand over night in clear water. Place ham in a deep kettle. If the ham is small one, use about six or eight cloves, half a teaspoon of celery seed, half a teaspoon of ground cinnamon, ten pepper corns and one quart of sweet cider. Cover with boiling water and let simmer until perfectly tender all through—four or five hours. Take from the kettle, remove skin and sprinkle ham with two tablespoons of brown sugar, brush over with beaten egg, cover

FAVORITE FASHIONS
By SIMONE



A smart dress of French inspiration with circular godets inserted in slashed openings at the front of the skirt, to give new flared movement to the hemline. The simple bodice with V-neck has a becoming collar, finished with a bow tie. It is fashioned of feather-weight tweed in beige tones, brown suede belt, and plain woolen collar and cuffs.

Ham is good down to the last drop of fat—every particle of meat and the bone can be utilized. There need be no waste at all—even the skin that is cut off the ham can be used, for no better flavour can be had for certain fried foods, than that which ham grease imparts. To have good boiled ham, you have first to find the right kind of ham. To do this you have to begin with the pig—but that is another

WOMEN AND "BOYS."

In the course of an Old Bailey trial a woman barrister referred to the prisoner she was defending as a boy. As he was twenty-four years of age the judge was of opinion that he might be called a man. But women are extremely reluctant to admit that their male fellow-creatures ever grow up. The idea of an ineradicable masculine helplessness is deeply implanted in the feminine mind. It comes from those days in the nursery when the giants of later years were helpless animalcules who could not be fed, clothed, washed, prevented from falling into the fire or eating pins and coal, without the help of a woman. They have put on height and weight and muscle since then, but women always believe that for all their swagger and stature most men are still children and need a deal of mothering and guidance.

SILK SUIT.



Bottle green flat crepe is chosen for the jacket and skirt of a costume that favours a blouse in nile green. Details provide fluttering embellishment, and the dark tone is repeated in the belt.

These Children Of Ours.

TABLE TALK.

It's hard to lay down any rules for table talk. Probably there shouldn't be any set rules. When people meet together in a spirit of comradeship there is a spontaneous interchange of ideas. They don't need a programme. But that isn't saying that the parent cannot guide the trend of conversation. They should lead it and see to it that this time is not an occasion for airing complaints and relating unpleasant incidents and experiences.

Children should be seen and not heard" may have done very well a generation or two ago. It's woefully out of date now.

One mother barred school talk at the table because it bored her. And this prevented her twelve-year-old son from telling an interesting happening from his class that he was just "dying" to tell to his assembled family. It seemed a pity that he should have missed this opportunity to express himself by telling the story.

One family I know is solving the problem very successfully. And their method is as simple as A, B, C. "We treat our children at the table as we would treat guests."

It seems that father entertains with his best stories for them. He even springs a riddle once in a while. And there is practically no correction at this table. That detail is attended to before or after the meal in a heart-to-heart talk. When a child has a story to tell, it is listened to with respect. The parents may not be interested in the story itself but they can be interested in the way in which it is told and the pleasure of the story teller.

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SATURDAY'S COMPANY MEETINGS.

REALTY & TRUST CO., AND BANK OF EAST ASIA.

BIG DIVIDENDS PAID.

Two company meetings were held on Saturday last, the annual meeting of the Hong Kong Realty and Trust Co., Ltd., in the registered office of the Company, Exchange Building, at noon, and the 10th ordinary yearly meeting of the Bank of East Asia, Ltd., at the China Merchants' Club in the China Building at 3 p.m. The Bank of East Asia also held a reception in the Bank premises which were gaily decorated in celebration of their 10th anniversary.

The financial position of both Companies appears from their reports and balance sheets to be very satisfactory, and Mr. J. M. Alves in seconding the proposal of the report and accounts of the Realty and Trust Company complimented the directors on the policy they had adopted during the past year. The Realty and Trust Company is paying a final dividend of 30 cents per share and the Bank of East Asia a dividend of \$6 and a bonus of \$2 per share.

REALTY AND TRUST CO.

DIRECTORS COMPLIMENTED.

The ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders of the Hong Kong Realty and Trust Co., was held at the registered office of the Company, Exchange Building, at noon, on Saturday.

Chairman's Speech.

Mr. E. M. Raymond, who was in the chair, said that the balance sheet and accounts as presented, showed comprehensively the financial position of the company on December 31st, 1928, and in the circumstances there was no need to enter into detailed explanation with the exception of one item appearing in the balance sheet under the heading "Right of Way and Easements." This assets, he continued, "is accounted for by the fact that, during the year, your board effected arrangements whereby the Company disposed of a small strip of land totalling 34½ sq. ft. and forming a portion of a non-productive *cul-de-sac* on the north-west boundary of the Exchange Building site, the price obtained being at the rate of \$40 per square foot subject to easements and a restrictive covenant in respect of development thereof. The terms of sale included an undertaking by the purchaser that such area be utilized in conjunction with the remaining portion retained by this company, for the sole purpose of a mutual right of way and *inter alia*, reserved for this company additional right of way facilities, over a new lane to be formed at the rear of the adjoining property.

Final Dividend of 30 Cents Per Share.

"The profit for the year under review, including the sum of \$26,027.68 brought forward from the preceding year and after setting aside \$29,706.47 for depreciation, amounts to \$180,545.23. Deducting therefrom the interim dividend declared on October 6th, 1928, and amounting to \$80,000, a balance of \$100,545.23 remains, which your directors recommend be apportioned as follows:—

To pay a final dividend of 30 cents per share \$90,000.00
To transfer to general reserve in order to bring such reserve up to \$200,000 49,438.00
To carry forward to new account 11,057.23

and I trust that this allocation will meet with the approval of shareholders.

"From a perusal of the balance sheet, you will observe that notwithstanding the payment of the interim dividend to which I have just referred, the mortgage indebtedness of the company has been reduced, in round figures, by two lakhs during the financial period.

"The company's properties, both central and residential, have been well maintained and I am pleased to be able to state that same have been fully occupied during the year."

A Satisfactory Position.

In seconding the proposal for the adoption of the report and accounts, Mr. J. M. Alves congratulated the Board of Directors on the correct policy they had adopted of depreciating buildings, etc., last year to the extent of \$29,000. Shareholders, he added, would no doubt be pleased to note that on top of this they were able to increase the reserve to \$200,000. This was very satisfactory indeed.

Other Business.

On the proposal of Mr. J. E. Joseph, seconded by Mr. E. Mauricio, the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, Kt., and Mr. J. Scott-Harston, the retiring Directors, were unanimously re-elected to the Board.

Mr. A. W. Smith then proposed, and Mr. N. V. A. Croucher seconded, that Messrs. Linstead & Davis be re-elected auditors for the ensuing year at a remuneration of \$750.

The meeting terminated with the announcement by the Chairman that dividend warrants were ready for issue.

Those Present.

Supporting the Chairman were the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, Kt., and Messrs. J. Scott-Harston, P. K. Kwok, John Fleming, L. Dunbar and J. H. Taggart (Directors), C. F. Y. Ribeiro (Acting Secretary), and the following shareholders, representing 80,500 shares—Messrs. J. M. Alves, J. T. Bagram, F. C. Barry, N. V. A. Croucher, J. E. Joseph, O. Kitchell, Li Koon Chun, E. Mauricio, E. Sadick, A. W. Smith, P. H. Suckling and Dr. C. M. Henley.

BANK OF EAST ASIA CO., LIMITED.

NET PROFIT OF \$1,230,633.35 ON YEAR'S WORKING.

The tenth ordinary yearly meeting of the Bank of East Asia, Ltd., was held at the China Merchants' Club, 5th floor, China Building, Queen's Road Central, at 3 p.m. on Saturday. The Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow presided, and there were present Messrs. Li Koon Chun, P. K. Kwok, Kan Tung Po, Chan Ching Shek, Wong Yun Tong (Directors), Kan Tung Po (Chief Manager), Li Tse Fong (Manager), Chow Chi Nam, Kwok Sui Lan, Chow Tung Sang, Li Lan Sang, Ling Man Lai, K. K. Lee, Li Tung, Mrs. Tang Shau Hing, Mrs. Li Tang Shi, Pun Hui Cho, Kwok Ching Tong, James N. Wong, C. K. Kwok, P. K. Sek.

Chairman's Report.

The Chairman, addressing the meeting, said:—"The result of the year's working, including \$404,841.59 brought forward from the previous year, shows a net profit of \$1,230,633.35 as compared with \$723,322.54 for 1927. This result, I think shareholders will agree with me, is highly satisfactory."

"As regards the balance sheet I think there are only a few items showing important changes that I need comment upon."

"There were slight increase in both loan and bill accounts. But as your Directors have always pursued a conservative policy in these lines of business, I think you will agree with me, the rate of increase under the circumstances is very gratifying. It is, however, the hope of your Directors that with a better prospect of peaceful conditions in China in the near future greater opportunity for investment will be available for the increased funds entrusted to us by the public."

"The Directors feel that you will endorse their policy in transferring the sum of \$300,000 to the general reserve, thus bringing same to a total of \$1,500,000."

"We have, in accordance with our practice, written off \$55,057.07 from Bank premises account; in addition to the usual depreciation of fixtures and furniture the Directors are asking your approval to-day to write off a further sum of \$48,984.85 thus reducing this account to a very low figure of \$13,000."

"The total of cash available at call together with the amount of bullion on transit represents about 80 per cent. against our liabilities on current and deposit accounts, which is an indication of a sound policy your Directors have adopted."

Dividend \$5 and Bonus \$2

"The Directors are very glad that they are able to recommend the payment of a bonus of \$2 per share which, with the usual dividend of \$5, will make a net return of 8 per cent. on your capital."

"In order to cope with the demand on our safe deposit boxes it is the intention of your Directors to make, during the present year, an additional installation of these boxes in the Head Office and to build a new safe deposit box vault at our Kowloon Branch."

"That the Directors are able to present such a satisfactory account of the result achieved in the past year, as I am sure you will appreciate due to the good work done and ability shown by the staff in all our branches. In this connection I wish particularly to mention the good work of our Chief Manager, who for the greater part of 1928, stayed in our most important branch in Shanghai to direct its welfare with most satisfactory results."

(Continued on next column).

PROPOSED NEW CITIES.

NANKING AND CANTON TO BE RE-BUILT.

AMERICAN ARCHITECTS BUSY.

An American architect and an American engineer of outstanding ability have begun work at Nanking and Canton upon plans for two great cities—one to be perhaps the most distinctive capital city in the world, the other to be the first great port in China developed by Chinese initiative.

The projects were explained in detail by the architect, Henry Killam Murphy to a United Press representative at Peking. Mr. Murphy has just returned to China after several months in Europe studying the newest methods of city planning. For at least a year he expects to reside in Canton and Nanking, directing plans for the two great cities the Chinese leaders hope to build.

The plans are certain to be adopted as Mr. Murphy, and his engineering associate, Ernest Parsons Goodrich of New York, have contracts with the Chinese Government in connection with the scheme, but how soon they can be executed is another question.

Whether the Nanking Government can find money to carry out these elaborate projects is uncertain.

The Chinese Government show a desire for a new kind of city. Mr. Murphy is responsible for the distinctive buildings on the campuses of Yale-in-China, an American university at Changsha, for Ginning College for Women in Nanking, and for Yenching university in Peking. All of these buildings are distinctively Chinese and yet embody the best modern principles.

The American experts were engaged last summer in New York by Sun Fo and Dr. C. C. Wu. Mr. Murphy first came in contact with Sun Fo when the latter was mayor of Canton in 1923, and contemplated construction of a great port as outlet to Canton's trade. Lack of funds and recurrent civil war prevented that project from being carried out, but Mr. Murphy is confident that at least part of the present plans will eventually be carried out.

Mr. Murphy and Mr. Goodrich will work first in the south, deciding upon the site for the proposed port, and laying plans for its construction. Having completed this part of their task, they will return to Nanking and start work upon plans for the capital. It is believed that these can be completed within six months so that it will be possible to start work by that time.

Plans for the capital at Nanking already have been semi-officially announced, being drawn by Chinese architects. But apparently Mr. Murphy will be given a free hand and may supplant any existing plans. This will not be difficult, as little or no work has been done at Nanking thus far. Mr. Murphy is hopeful that he may be permitted to work slowly enough so that the new city may be mapped out in detail before work starts.—United Press.

"As the Directors are holding a reception to shareholders and clients in celebration of the 10th anniversary of the Bank, I will take this opportunity to mention certain facts relative to its development. During the past ten years the Bank made a total profit of over \$6,800,000, of which, after a sum of \$4,600,000 was distributed as dividend and bonus to shareholders and staff, \$1,500,000 was transferred to general reserve, \$300,000 was set aside for depreciation, there is a balance of over \$400,000 remaining as undivided profits. The total deposits on December 31st, 1928, was about \$10,500,000 as against about \$4,000,000 in 1919. The number of staff was increased from the very small figures of 18 persons in 1919 to about 200 at the present moment."

"I now propose that the report be adopted, and that the amount standing at the credit of profit and loss account to be dealt with as follows:—

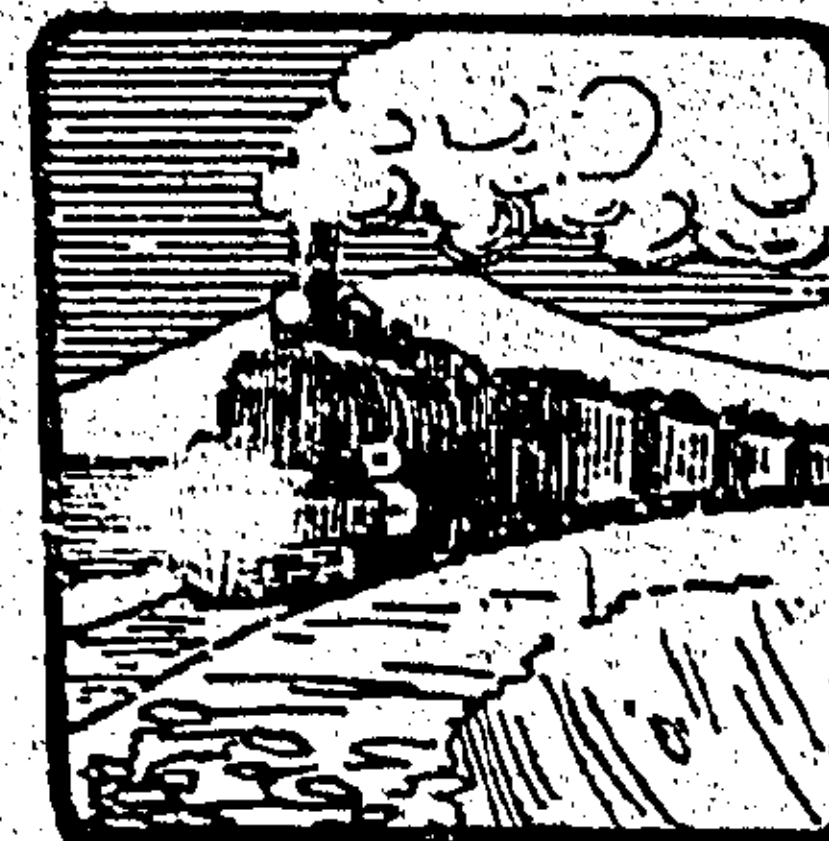
"To pay a dividend of \$5 per share on 50,000 shares absorbing \$250,000; to pay a bonus of \$2 per share on 50,000 shares absorbing \$100,000; to transfer to reserve \$300,000; to pay a bonus to directors, holders of founder shares and the staff \$78,886.76; to write off furniture and fixture \$43,984.85; to carry forward \$401,740.74; a total of \$1,230,633.35. After this has been seconded I will endeavour to answer any question and give any explanation you may desire."

Other Business.

The adoption of the report and accounts proposed by the Chairman and seconded by Mr. Kwok Sui Lau was approved unanimously. The only other business was the re-election of Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming as auditors, on the proposal of Mr. Chan Tung Sang, seconded by Mr. Li Lan Sang.

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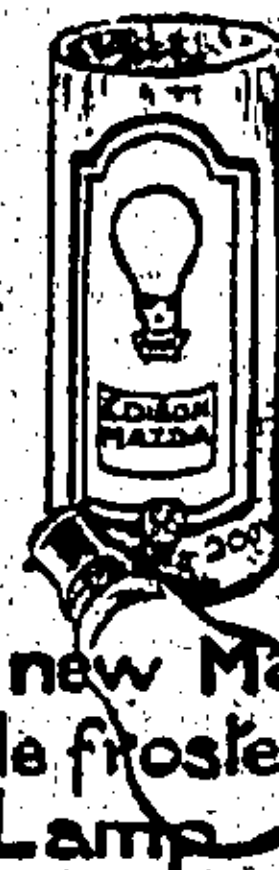


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CANTON-BRITISH
ENTENTE.GEN. CHEN MING SHU AND
ADMIRAL WAISELL.IDEAL OF INTERNATIONAL
PEACE.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, Feb. 17th.

Vice-Admiral A. K. Waisell, C.B., left Canton for Hong Kong this (Sunday) morning after a very enjoyable and successful visit. The Admiral was particularly pleased by the friendliness and the hospitality of the leading members of the Canton Government. The Government House banquet given by Gen. and Mrs. Chen Ming Shu on Friday evening was a particularly happy event notable for the speeches made by the host and the guest of honour.

GEN. CHEN'S WELCOME.

General Chen, whose address was interpreted by Dr. Chao Hsin Chu, said that the Canton Government felt honoured at receiving Admiral Waisell and his charming wife as their guests. They were also very pleased to have Mr. Brennan, the members of the Admiral's staff and many other British residents of Shamen with them. Admiral Waisell visited Canton 29 years ago and there was no need to enlarge on the changes which had taken place since then. He would only quote with regard to that a saying from the classical "Book of Change," to the effect that "when a thing reaches its limit it turns round, change takes place—and it lasts."

As a result of years of change we rejoice at having obtained unification in China. We in China, natives of the country, have shivered hard for this end and I am sure our British friends are as glad as we are that the civil war has come to an end. All our energies are being turned to reconstructive work and the building up of a peaceful and prosperous country.

I have been a soldier but I am now a member of a civilian government. I will, as I always have done, seek to promote friendship among nations. European civilization has been a record of improvement from generation to generation and since the World War great advances have been made in this struggle for friendship between nation and nation.

Admiral Waisell, who is visiting our country as the holder of a great office, brings with him the ideals and ideas of the nation to whom he belongs. His presence here will help to promote the present friendship between the two peoples and to do away with misunderstandings.

We have another proverb which says: "Bury the weapon to avoid war." From this you can see that we love peace and hate war. I hope that this Eastern idea will be understood and appreciated by all nations of the world. Ladies and Gentlemen, I ask you all to drink to the health of our honourable guests, Admiral and Mrs. Waisell. (Loud applause.)

ADMIRAL WAISELL'S
REPLY.

Admiral Waisell, in the course of his reply, said that he had been very much impressed by what he had seen of the Chinese Navy and the man at its head. They were all young men. Admirals, captains and commanders all got their promotion far more rapidly than in the British Navy where it took eight years for a lieutenant to become a lieutenant-commander while by the time he was an admiral he was an old fellow ready to retire. (Laughter and "No, no.")

RECEPTION AT CANTON
CLUB.

Another very enjoyable function was the reception given by Mr. J. H. Brennan, British Consul-General at Canton, at the Canton Club in honour of Admiral and Mrs. Waisell. Most of the Consul's body, a number of leading members of the Canton Government, and many prominent residents and their wives were present.

PICKETS DESCEND
ON SMUGGLERS.TWO JUNKS OF JAPANESE
GOODS?SEVERAL MEN UNDER
ARREST.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, Feb. 17th.

One of the biggest hauls of supposedly Japanese goods made by the boycott pickets was carried out on Saturday when two junks heavily laden with "undesirable" cargo were brought in from Si Kiu in the Poon Yu district, not far from Canton. The Committee had been told that a group of men were still engaged in smuggling Japanese goods into Canton in three large junks belonging to two local shipping companies, who were alleged to be party to the "offence." The smuggling had been going on, it is said, for some time under an elaborate system of precaution.

Three junks arrived in Si Kiu a day ahead of the pickets and a large part of the cargoes had been successfully landed and cleared. However when the pickets turned up, with their papers in order, etc., they mobilised the local troops and drew a cordon round the wharf. The three ships were then seized and systematically searched and the pickets were in luck, finding 700 cabbies of that great delicacy, sharks' fins of the best quality, and over 60 tons of coal. Besides this about a dozen firearms and a large number of cartridges were discovered. The two men who seemed to be in charge were placed under arrest and brought to Canton in chains. A number of Si Kiu merchants, also said to be implicated, were apprehended and brought to Canton.

According to the Boycott Committee the merchants tried to bribe the pickets with a paltry \$100. This was indignantly refused, the merchants being reminded that they had to deal with patriotic men doing patriotic work. While being towed to Canton the master of one of the junks deliberately steered his ship onto a rock. The vessel sank almost at once and lies near Si Kiu with 50 tons of coal in its hold. The pickets were furious with the junk master and locked him up in one of the other junks, both of which were brought safely to Canton.

The position of the arrested men is very serious for it will be remembered that not very long ago a number of merchants were executed for a similar defiance of the rules and regulations of the Boycott Committee.

The anti-Japanese boycott is still being prosecuted with increasing vigour in Canton. All "strategic points" are vigilantly watched day and night by the pickets. Seizure and confiscation of goods goes on daily but the quantities taken and auctioned off are by no means as great as formerly.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN
CANTON.

OVER 9,330 TRADE UNIONISTS.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, Feb. 17th.

According to the report of the Kwangtung Provincial Associated Labour Federation, the number of unemployed in Canton has now reached 9,330. As this return only applies to union workers the number of persons out of a job in Canton greatly exceeds this figure. The return according to trades is as follows:—The Canton Musicians Association, 100; Gold and Silver Smiths Union, 80; Medicine Makers Union, 110; The Paper Dyers, 110; Fire Cracker Workers Union, 140; Stone Workers Association, 2,400; Seamen's Union, 1,000; Kwangtung Branch, 5,000; Kwangtung Theatrical Association, 800; Painters Union, 270; Theatrical Costume Makers Union, 130.

FANLING HUNT STEEPLECHASES.

MR. N. HASHIM'S MY LADY SCORES AGAIN.

ACE OF SPADES PROVIDES MR. ULSTER WITH HIS
FIRST WIN.

LIEUT. SHILLINGTON'S SUCCESS.

[By EARLY BIRD.]

A record crowd turned out to witness the Chinese New Year Meeting of the Fanling Hunt, which was conducted without a hitch in glorious weather at Kwantai racetrack yesterday afternoon.

The attendance showed that the change from Saturday to Sunday was a great success, the hope was freely expressed on all sides that the jolly little country meeting will for the future be held on Sunday.

Ace of Spades, magnificently handled by Lieut. Shillington, enhanced his reputation by running away with the principal race of the meeting, and succeeded thereby in providing Mr. Ulster with his first win.

Mr. Shillington headed the winning list of riders by piloting two winners and two thirds out of four months, which was a rattling good performance and one which should please our popular "Geoff" in view of the fact that this is to be his last appearance in the saddle as he is leaving us early next month.

Mr. N. Hashim's My Lady, who registered her third successive win, proved by the effortless fashion in which she won that she is a contender of outstanding merit. Followers of the game will see a wonderful contest at the next meeting which is to take place on March 24th when My Lady and Ace of Spades will be in opposition.

If a run off can be arranged at the next meeting between the two ponies, Blotting Paper and Kiangsu, who dead heated yesterday, we should certainly have a record gate, as this race provided one of the biggest thrills we have seen for many a day.

The Regimental Band of the 1st Battalion, Somerset Regiment, under the baton of Bandmaster Woolmott, materially added to the success of the meeting by rendering a well chosen programme of music in the intervals of racing.

THE RACING.

The Fat Oily Stakes.

Three starters went to the post in this event which provided a win for My Lady, ridden by Lieut. Shillington.

The bay mare carried nearly all the money and came home on the river, who gamely endeavoured to get on terms. Siang River, who came a purser at the first hurdle out, was pluckily remounted by Lieut. Cave and finished the course.

Fox Hunters Cup.

A good field turned out and although the two financial candidates in Dumbell and James Pigg were heavily supported by the public, it was left to that wonderful old warrior of other days, Craigavad, superbly handled by Mr. Alec Potts, to bring home the bacon. The winner ran prominently all the journey and once in the straight he left the rest of the field standing.

James Pigg, who ran very prominently in the early stages of the race, had the misfortune to crash in the back country which spoiled his chance. Dumbell, who led most of the way, also toppled and lost his bridle. Except for this I would have tipped every winner. Mr. Buke had rather an unpleasant experience as he collided with a wire which was supporting a telegraph pole, and was knocked out of the saddle, happily without any serious result. Mr. Beck who rode Strathlone was well up at the finish but was beaten in the run in.

China New Year Handicap.

Good old Mr. Shillington! Good old Ace of Spades! was the cry of that well-known little racegoer Master Alec Sheldon, as his ideal jockey and steeplechaser passed the judge's box the first time round. The winner made a positive procession out of this race and, as an instance of how far he was ahead, the field was leaving it. The result must have been very gratifying to a host of the supporters of this pony.

One hundred and sixty-three tickets were placed on Ace of Spades, compared to 31 on the nearest pony in the betting to him. This tells its own story and is a sure indication of the good judgement of our backers in their selection.

If the time registered (2.55) is correct it certainly constitutes good going as compared with other races at Kwantai. Kam King, who was well supported by bankers, disappointed badly for he ran last from start to winning post.

Cave performed fairly well and Grey Eyes did not do so badly in view of the fact that he is a sprinter. He would be better suited over a shorter course.

Fox Hunters Cup (Lightweight). The biggest field of the meeting faced the starter in this event and provided the spectators with thrills galore.

At the fall of the flag Blotting Paper made play, closely followed by Caligula and Solitaire. At the first obstacles and the field was fairly well strung out as they crossed the road into the paddy land. Drake crashed badly when running parallel to the road but was remounted and continued at the tail of the field. Blotting Paper was in charge as they came over the ridge over the paddy country, and was going for the leader as they cleared the ridge running down to the last. Caligula was well up and Sheila had improved to fourth. Crossing the paddy country (to become Kiangsu) paired up with Blotting Paper, and entered the straight on perfectly level terms. A beautiful finish resulted and the verdict was given as a dead heat—a thrilling end—that gave intense delight to all present. Sheila, who is gradually coming into form, ran into third place.

February Maidens.

Movannagher, who brought off my tip, won easily. May who was an equal favourite ran third and the backers' other selection, Newfoundland, ran second. Getting the best of the start Movannagher, who has been recently acquired by Lieut. Cave, set a merry pace and, although he blundered badly and nearly crashed at two or three occasions, eventually ran in a winner. The win was most popular as this is the pony's first win after many attempts. Newfoundland ran very well after his very disappointing gallop at the last meeting. May, who was well ridden by Lieut. Shillington, gave a medium display after his run behind Mowgli at the last meeting and I am convinced his heart is not in the game.

I have been requested to inform my readers that the next meeting will be held on March 24th, and also that the members of the Hunt have arranged to entertain the members of the Canton ride at Fanling on March 16th. Arrangements are not quite complete yet but I will give further details later.

THE RESULTS.

Fat Oily Stakes.

About 14 miles on National Course. Winner: \$75; 2nd: \$25. For China ponies.

Mr. Hashim's My Lady (188 lbs.) (Mr. Shillington) 1
Dr. Pierce Grove's Siang River (160 lbs.) (Mr. Backhouse) 2
Lieut. Col. Comyn's Little River (138 lbs.) (Mr. Cave) 3
Won by two lengths.
Par-mutuel:—
Winner: \$5.40.
Places: 1st, \$5.20.
Cash Sweeps:—
1st ticket No. 33.....\$18.20
2nd, " " 18.....32.20
3rd, " " 5.....16.80

Betting.

My Lady.....112 -40
Siang River.....0 -2
Little River.....14 -5

Fox Hunters' Cup.

Over about two miles of country finishing on the National Course. For a Cup presented by the Officers 2nd Battalion Scots Guards. Winner to be presented with replica Cup, 2nd \$50. For China ponies that are in the opinion of the Joint Masters of the Fanling Hunt bona-fide "Country Ponies." For Heavyweights that stand 165 lbs. and over.

Mr. Potts' Craigavad (173 lbs.) (Mr. Potts) 1
Mr. Mattingley's Dumbell (163 lbs.) (Mr. Mattingley) 2
Mr. MacNamara's James Pigg (107 lbs.) (Mr. Wallis) 3
Also ran: Fire Call (Mr. Arliss); Little Darling (Mr. Bostock); Solitaire (Mr. Buke); Strathlone (Mr. Beck).
Was by four lengths; many lengths between second and third.
Time: 5mins. 25secs.
Par-mutuel:—
Winner: \$30.50.
Places: 1st, \$5.20; 2nd, \$5.10; 3rd, \$5.20.
Cash Sweeps:—
1st ticket No. 21.....\$129.50
2nd, " " 2.....37.00
3rd, " " 1.....18.50
Unplaced: Nos. 341 and 346 (\$10 each).

Betting.

Win. Place.
Craigavad.....24 -28
Dumbell.....86 -105
Fire Call.....11 -9
James Pigg.....83 -88
Little Darling.....7 -7
Solitaire.....11 -19
Strathlone.....2 -4

China New Year Handicap. About 14 miles on National Course. For China ponies.
Mr. Shillington's Ace of Spades (188 lbs.) (Mr. Shillington) 1
Mr. Maas' Caviare (148 lbs.) (Mr. Morgan) 2
Lieut. Col. Comyn's Grey Eyes (161 lbs.) (Mr. Cave) 3
Also ran: Kam King (Mr. Shenton); Tap Sinc (Mr. Clarke).
Won by many lengths.
Time: 5mins. 55secs.
Par-mutuel:—
Winner: \$6.40.
Places: 1st, \$5.70; 2nd, \$7.00.
Cash Sweeps:—
1st ticket No. 33.....\$135.20
2nd, " " 17.....47.20
3rd, " " 10.....23.60
Unplaced: Nos. 43 and 73 (\$10 each).

Betting.

Win. Place.
Caviare.....23 -38
Ace of Spades.....103 -100
Kam King.....31 -31
Tap Sinc.....12 -12
Grey Eyes.....6 -7

Fox Hunters' Cup. Over about two miles of country finishing on National Course.

For a Cup presented by the Officers 2nd Battalion Scots Guards. Winner to be presented with replica Cup, 2nd \$50. For China ponies that are in the opinion of the Joint Masters of the Fanling Hunt bona-fide "Country Ponies." For Lightweights that stand 165 lbs. and under.

Mr. Clarke's Kiangsu (145 lbs.) (Mr. Clarke) 1
Mr. Watson's Blotting Paper (145 lbs.) (Mr. McGowan) 2
Mrs. Charles' Sheila (145 lbs.) (Mr. Shillington) 3
Also ran: Honeymoon (Mr. McCarty); Caligula (Mr. Fisher); Drake (Mr. Durran); Solitaire (Mr. Cave); Tarzali (Mr. Newbiggin).
A dead heat; many lengths.
Time: 5mins. 35secs.
Par-mutuel:—
Winner: (Kiangsu \$18; Blotting Paper \$7.00).
Places: 1st (Kiangsu \$7; Blotting Paper \$6.20); 2nd, \$7.30.
Cash Sweeps:—
1st ticket No. 17.....\$94.95
2nd, " " 3.....94.95
3rd, " " 35.....21.10
Unplaced: Nos. 33, 55, 11, 56, 13, (\$10 each).
Dead heat.

Betting.

Win. Place.
Honeymoon.....4 -8
Caligula.....24 -26
Drake.....20 -13
Blotting Paper.....54 -67
Sheila.....37 -37
Solitaire.....18 -18
Kiangsu.....43 -43
Tarzali.....4 -9

February Maidens.

About one mile on Inside Course. Winner: \$75; 2nd: \$25. For China ponies that have never won a steeplechase. Weight for inches as per scale. Ponies that have started at Kwantai this season allowed 5 lbs. Mr. Cave's Movannagher (150 lbs.) (Mr. Cave) 1
Mr. Morgan's Newfoundland (150 lbs.) (Mr. Morgan) 2
Mrs. Charles' May (155 lbs.) (Mr. Shillington) 3
Also ran: Chokra (Mr. Scott-Eliot); Six Hundred (Mr. Stanton); Charleston (Mr. Graham); Siang River (Mr. Newbiggin).
Won by many lengths.
Time: 5mins. 25secs.
Par-mutuel:—
Winner: \$11.10.
Places: 1st, \$6.20; 2nd, \$7; 3rd, \$7.00.
Cash Sweeps:—
1st ticket No. 35.....\$209.50
2nd, " " 70.....59.40
3rd, " " 48.....29.70
Unplaced: Nos. 28, 2, 26, 43 (\$10 each).

Betting.

Win. Place.
Newfoundland.....22 -23
Chokra.....3 -5
Six Hundred.....6 -6
Charleston.....6 -3
Movannagher.....78 -62
Siang River.....6 -12
May.....7 -84

The Big "W" Sweep.

The following were the drawings for the big \$1 sweep:—
1st ticket No. 754.....\$1,111.05*
2nd, " " 3575.....\$1,111.05*
3rd, " " 2663.....\$246.50
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Hong Kong, 15th Feb. 1929. [7410]

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THE College will RE-OPEN at
9.00 on MONDAY, 25th
FEBRUARY. There will be an EN-
TRANCE EXAMINATION for NEW
BOYS (Boards and Day-boys) at
9.30 A.M. on SATURDAY, 23rd
FEBRUARY, at Prospect Place,
BONHAY ROAD. [7404]

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ATTENTION IS DRAWN to the
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ING of the above, to be held in the
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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ONE HUNDRED AND
NINTH ORDINARY MEET-
ING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the
Company will be held at the Office of
the Company, No. 4, DES VIGES ROAD
on TUESDAY, 19th FEBRUARY,
1929, at 11 A.M. for the purpose of
Receiving a Report of the Directors,
together with a Statement of Accounts,
declaring a Dividend and Electing
Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from
WEDNESDAY, 6th FEBRUARY to
TUESDAY, 19th FEBRUARY, 1929.
Both Days inclusive, during which
period No Transfer of Shares can be
Registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN ARNOLD
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 22nd Jan. 1929. [7283]

NOTICE.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that the THIRTY-SECOND
ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING
OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company
will be held at the Registered Office of
the Company, 6th FLOOR, PRINCE
BUILDING, FINANCIAL STREET, HONG KONG,
on WEDNESDAY, 20th DAY OF
FEBRUARY, 1929, at 12.15 P.M., for
the purpose of receiving a Statement of
Accounts and the Report of the
Directors for the Year ended DECEMBER
31st, 1928, and to elect Two Directors
and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the
Company will be CLOSED from MON-
DAY, 18th DAY OF FEBRUARY,
1929, until WEDNESDAY, 20th
DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1929, Both Days
inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
D. L. KING,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, February 15th, 1929. [7355]

THE HONG KONG & SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN
that an EXTRAORDINARY
MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS
OF THE HONG KONG & SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION will be held
on SATURDAY, 23rd DAY OF
FEBRUARY, 1929, at 12 O'CLOCK
NOON, at the CITY HALL, Victoria,
in the Colony of Hong Kong, the
following Resolution was passed, viz—

That the Directors of the Hong
Kong and Shanghai Banking
Corporation be and they are hereby
requested and authorised by and
on behalf of the Shareholders of
the Corporation to take all such
steps as may be necessary for the
implementation of an Ordinance intro-
duced into the Legislative Council of the Colony
of Hong Kong and for the enactment
of the same by the Governor of
Hong Kong with the advice and
consent of the Legislative Council
thereof, in the terms of a print
which, for the purposes of identifica-
tion, has been signed by the Chief
Manager of the Corporation, in sub-
stitution for the existing Ordinances
(except as in such print is men-
tioned) and Deed of Settlement of the
Corporation.

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO
GIVEN that a FURTHER EXTRA-
ORDINARY MEETING OF THE
SHAREHOLDERS of the Corporation
will be held on SATURDAY,
23rd DAY OF FEBRUARY, 1929,
at 12.45 in the afternoon at the same
place for the purpose of receiving
a Report of the above mentioned
Meeting and of considering, and, if
thought fit, confirming the above
Resolution in accordance with Article
86 of the Corporation's Deed of
Settlement.

Dated this 8th day of February, 1929.

By Order of the Directors,
A. C. HYNES,
Chief Manager.

NOTE.—A Copy of the proposed
New Ordinance can be seen dur-
ing the usual Banking Hours
(Sundays, Public and Bank Holi-
days excepted) in Hong Kong at
the Head Office of the Corporation
or at the Offices of Messrs.
JONSON, STOKES & MASTERS,
Principals Buildings, Solicitors to
the said Corporation, and in
Shanghai at the Office of the
Corporation, from the date hereof
until the date of the above
mentioned Confirmatory Meeting.
[7379]

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

that the ORDINARY YEARLY
MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS
in this Corporation will be held at
CITY HALL, Hong Kong, on
SATURDAY, 23rd FEBRUARY,
1929, at Noon, for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the Court of
Directors together with a Statement of
Accounts for the Year ending 31st
DECEMBER, 1928.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the
Corporation will be CLOSED from
MONDAY, 18th FEBRUARY to
SATURDAY, 23rd FEBRUARY,
1929 (Both Days inclusive) during which
period No Transfer of Shares can be
registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
A. C. HYNES,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 14th Feb. 1929. [7384]



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Members are Reminded that these
Badges will also admit them to all the
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troducing Two Non-members to the
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A Limited Number of Tickets are
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MESSRS. LINTSEAD & DAVIS,
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SATURDAY, 23rd FEBRUARY, 1929,
at a Cost of \$10 Each Per Day or
\$30 for the Meeting.

The Charge for Admission for Ladies
to the Members' Enclosure will be \$4
Per Day. Each Member can obtain
upon Application to the SECRETARY,
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permitted in any Enclosure during
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Passes for Servants will be issued
on Application to MESSRS. LINTSEAD
& DAVIS, ALLIANCE BUILDINGS.
Employers are requested to distribute
them with discrimination and endorse
their Names on the Passes.

Servants are not permitted in the
Members' Enclosure except for passing
through on their duties, but must
remain in their Employers' Standards.

Any Persons found loitering about
with Servants' Passes in their posses-
sion will forfeit the same and will be
removed from the Enclosure.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

[7392]

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report fore-
cast and remarks, issued by the
Royal Observatory at 6 p.m.,
stated—
The anticyclone has weakened
further. It is now central to the
South of Tokyo. Moderate mon-
soon may be expected over the
China Sea.
Local Forecast:—N.E. winds,
moderate, fine to cloudy.

DEATH.

MACKENZIE.—On January 30th, 1929,
at Hingking, Manchuria, of
typhus the Reverend A. R.
MACKENZIE, B.D., of the United
Free Church of Scotland
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Fleet Street, E.C. 4.

The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, FEBRUARY 18th, 1929.

BRITAIN'S BLACK
DOMINION.

JOHN BULL'S troubles in India get
so much publicity—usually un-
favourable—that his responsibilities
in Africa are apt to be overlooked.
Only at an occasional Empire Ex-
hibition does the man in the street
realise that Britain has interests
in the Dark Continent which extend
many thousands of miles north of
Cape Town. But if the average
Englishman at home does not fully
appreciate what is going on, there
are others in Europe who are not
only informed on the subject but
are getting somewhat concerned
about the prospects. A "black
Dominion" comprising ten million
scattered people governed by a
handful of white men under the
British flag is gradually taking
shape in East Africa, accord-
ing to well-informed quarters
behind the scenes in international
politics. The project, which would
enhance Britain's overseas power
considerably, has aroused strong
criticism on the part of Germany,
which alleges that the scheme in-
volves violation of Britain's pledges
under the League of Nations in re-
gard to one of the territories in-
volved, the vast rich Tanganyika
area, which covers 373,000 square
miles, and is held by the British
Empire under mandate since the war.

Uganda, Kenya, and Tangan-
yika—all of which have become
economically prominent since the
end of the World War—are the pro-
posed component part of this new
offshoot of the Empire. A hint of
the British proposal is contained in
the report of the Commission sent
out from England to investigate
conditions in East Africa. The
Commission, under Sir EDWARD
HILTON YOUNG, was instructed to
consider means of improving and
co-ordinating the administration of
the three territories. The member
of the investigating party recom-
mend that the first step towards
improvement in administration
should be the appointment of
High Commissioners for the three
territories, with executive powers,
his special functions being to in-
augurate inquiries and joint dis-
cussions on questions of native
policy, to promote unified control
of certain services of common in-
terests, and to settle on a fair basis
any immediate cause of dispute or
difference. If all went well, the
appointment of a High Commis-
sioner would lead eventually to the
creation of the post of Governor-
General, which, according to views
in some quarters, would be the
penultimate step to the creation of
a vast new Dominion.

For months past Germany has
been watching and criticising British
proceedings in East Africa, and the
report now issued has provoked strong
comments from German publicists.
One allegation is that Germany has
every reason to view "developments
with mistrust, since the merging
of the former German East Africa
in a great administrative system
means that the mandate would be-
come a facade behind which the
annexation of Tanganyika would be
carried out." The Roman Catholic
journal Germania declares that
"such a procedure would directly
oppose the character of the mandate
and the stipulations of Versailles,"
while other German commentators
allege that the British are deter-
mined upon incorporating the
former German colony—the most
valuable owned by the Fatherland—
into the British Empire.

There is no doubt that Britain
has realised the tremendous politi-
cal and economic value of these
new areas in East Africa, which
have come under her control since
the war, and she has sent out thou-
sands of English colonists to ex-
ploit the territories and educate the
natives. The largest colony of
whites in Kenya, numbering
12,500, they rule over a popula-
tion of over two million blacks,
with several thousand Indians and
Arabs. These British pioneers are
slowly but surely developing a
tremendous foreign trade, with the

United Kingdom and the United
States, among the principal cus-
tomers, principally in cotton, hides,
ivory and timber. Nairobi, the
capital of Kenya, is a unique little
city planted amidst the jungle, and
is overrun with motor-cars (which
are most suitable for the varying
conditions of the rainy and dry
seasons, which cause marked changes
in the dirt tracks which serve as
roads). With a population of
nearly 4,500,000 natives, Tanganyika
is likewise a country of vast poten-
tialities; while Uganda, which has
been under British rule since 1894,
has 3,200,000 inhabitants.

There have been objections raised
in some quarters that Kenya is not
climatically suited for settlement
by white men, but according to an
eminent Welshman who has recently
been there, a much worse danger to
the community than the climate is
—or are—cocktails! Sir ALFRED
DAVIES, late Permanent Welsh
Education Secretary, condemns as
"vicious" the habit of the cocktail
—the "sundowner" custom of
Kenya. "A wretched convention,"
he says, "dictates that the day
begins, continues, and ends with the
habit, which no physique, no purse,
and no person intending to make
a success of life would be able to
stand for long. I have counted as
many as sixteen bottles of spirits or
liqueurs run off immediately after
use in one private house. If men
go out to make good, spend so
much time fuddling their brains,
they must come sooner or later to
an untimely end. The greatest
asset that could come to Kenya, and
possibly other places in Africa,"
he concluded, "would be a big man
openly denouncing this vicious
habit, which is sapping its life-
blood. To what extent this de-
nunciation is justified by the facts
we do not know. Possibly Sir
ALFRED DAVIES saw—as most people
visiting a strange place see—things
in a wrong perspective, but since
his views have been given wide
publicity we mention the matter as
being of interest in connection with
the settlement of Europeans in
Africa."

This is urgently needed is
shown by one significant fact.
Each year the number of natives
coming in from the "bush" and
jungle to conform to civilised ways
and to work for white masters in-
creases, and in the same proportion
trade forges ahead. Every civilised
native means so much more money
spent in clothes, such as cotton
skirts and shorts. These territories
export raw cotton to England,
which comes back again in increas-
ing quantities in the form of cotton
wearing apparel for sale to the
natives. Far-sighted observers are
loath to think up these large
territories with Northern and
Southern Rhodesia, adjoining to the
south, and to extend the legisla-
tive link to the even more vast
territories of the Union of South
Africa. Such a step would give
Britain moral and material control
in the Dark Continent to an extent
exceeding all other nations which
have concessions or rights there.
This possibility explains the close
attention which is being paid to the
development of British policy in
Africa, a continent in which there is
immense scope for the beneficent
influence of the White man.

News and Views.

It was reported to the police at
an early hour yesterday morning,
that \$25 and a quantity of jewellery
valued at \$102 were stolen from the
second floor of 155 Queen's Road
West.

The body of a Chinese female
was found on a plot of vacant
ground near Third Street yesterday
and was removed to the Public
Mortuary. Death was apparently
due to small-pox.

Patrons of the Star Theatre are
requested to note that there will be
matinee performances daily at 2.30
and 5.15 p.m. during the season of
The Harvard Musical Comedy Co.

"Miss Smith" the rodeo elephant
of Harman's Circus, who has
successfully defied all comers dur-
ing the week to ride her for a full
minute, was beaten on Saturday
night by a soldier from the Queen's
Regiment who remained on the buck-
ing elephant for the required
minute. He was handed the \$10
offered for performing the feat.

An official decision by the Central
Committee of the Communist Party
admits that one of the immediate
aims of the sensational "Shakhy
Trial" last summer has been a total
failure. Conditions in the Don
Basin coal fields, where fifty Rus-
sian and three German technicians
are alleged to have carried on
sabotage, have not improved since
the plot was uncovered and the ac-
cused men punished. The Party
statement complains in no uncer-
tain terms that labour discipline
remains as lax as previously and
that friction between the miners
and the engineers continues to
interfere with production. The com-
munist line, it is alleged, has fallen below expec-
tation both as to quantity and
quality, and the high overhead costs
have been reduced. The Central
Committee, it is alleged, has re-
gion are called upon to act energetically
upon a series of measures intended
to remedy conditions in the coal
mines.

Two serious accidents occurred
yesterday at the Kowloon Wharves;
one of which proved fatal. Whilst
unloading cargo from the "K.
Khiva," a coolie was crushed to
death when a rope broke and a
heavy load which was being swung
from the ship fell on him. The
body was taken to the Kowloon
Mortuary. In the other case a
coolie was knocked down and run
over by a travelling crane. He was
rushed to the Kowloon Hospital
where it was found necessary to
amputate the right leg.

The late Mr. A. H. M. da Silva
was one of the most active gentle-
men in the Colony. Despite his
advanced age, he took a keen in-
terest in many social affairs and
his kindly and charitable disposi-
tion endeared him to many friends.
We understand that he was pre-
paring to attend the general meet-
ing of the Star Ferry Company
when he collapsed and died. In
addition to the floral tributes men-
tioned in our last issue, a per-
manent wreath was sent by the firm
of Messrs. Kuan Ng Man Sang.

In connection with the com-
memoration of the fifth anniversary
of the death of Nikolai Lenin the
Russian press has given even more
space than usual to "reminis-
cences" concerning the father of the
revolution. In one of these ap-
pears a record of one of those
curiously ironic incidents which
seem to mark the course of Russian
history. Kroschenikov was a school-
mate of Lenin in the Simbirsk
College. The director of the gym-
nasium, he recalled, was Prof. Feodor
Kerensky—father of the Alexander
Kerensky whose short-lived govern-
ment was overthrown by Lenin in
November 1917. "He is the pride
of our gymnasium," the elder
Kerensky wrote to the university
authorities about the future
Vladimir of his own son. Lenin
then known under his own name,
Vladimir Ilyich Ulianov, is describ-
ed as a leader of his school-mates,
far brighter than the majority of
them and always ready to assist
them in their work.

The case of a man who eats nails
has been presented to the Moscow
Surgical Society by Dr. G. P.
Larin of the Babukin Hospital.
Except for an occasional operation
to remove these "staples" of his
diet from his inside, the glutton for
metal is quite well. Dr. Larin
operated upon him twice. Last
June he removed from the man's
stomach and intestines 115 nails,
from 2 to 9 centimeters long, weigh-
ing together 345 grams. After a
month in the hospital he was dis-
charged as cured. In December,
however, he returned. The opera-
tion this time lasted 94 minutes and
a 2-kopek copper coin, weighing a
total of 510 grams. Upon the com-
pletion of the operation the patient
was turned over to an Insane
Asylum for examination. It ap-
peared that he swallowed nails
when drunk, as a means of getting
even more intoxicated. He haunted
the Moscow beer-houses day after
day, offering to swallow a nail in
return for a glass of vodka or beer.
His fellow-townsmen, as the con-
tents of his stomach indicate, en-
couraged him in this pastime.

French Government Clean-up.

The New Year has found the
French Parliament, deep in the
"laundry business," Poincare has
almost risked his job as Prime
Minister and financial dictator in
order to make France's Radical and
Radical Socialist Parliament, and
its government of Republican Con-
cord clean its "dirty linen." Henceforth no Senator nor Deputy
will be allowed to hold a public
mandate and engage in any
speculative financial enterprise.
The governmental scandals have
been comparatively few in France,
the outstanding one being the
Panama affair, which was a case of
collusion and public looting between
the construction company and a
cabinet minister. It is said the
price for hush-up on the company's
delinquencies was three hundred
thousand francs. Other railroad
and corporation scandals have sent
men to jail, but it was not until
the scandals of the Gazette de
France began involving various
prominent newspapers and less
prominent editors, that the need of
a thorough "housecleaning" became
apparent to Poincare. Being al-
ready somewhat peevish with the
so-called liberal parties, Poincare
was almost moved to resign when
these Deputies decided to increase
their own salaries from 15 to 20
thousand francs per year. They
get the increase, but Poincare also
put over his decree and among the
honest men, resignations are com-
ing in. Governor Steeg of Morocco
was the first to resign his as he
wide interlocking interests in various
corporations. Ex-Finance Minister
Klotz also resigned his seat in the
Senate, although not until he was
charged with issuing "uncovered
checks." The examination of Klotz
may involve some petty transac-
tions in the after-war "clean-up," but
the faked bond issues of the Gazette
du France, the mulcting of credulous
widows and fathers of families of
their small savings, with the aid of
a few unscrupulous editors, is the
cause celebre to-day. France is
more honest than it was under the
monarchy, in any case, for both
those great statesmen, Cardinal
Mazurin and Richelieu are said to
have pilfered thirty million francs
each from the state. Napoleon tells
how his foreign minister Talleyrand
sacked the French Treasury and
that he was so avaricious "that he
would sell his own father." It yet
remains to be seen whether any new
laws will result from the present
"clean-up" to make future dis-
honesty among statesmen impossible.

New Tobacco Duties.

Local tobaccoists state that the
consumer will not be greatly affect-
ed by the new tobacco duties. There
is to be a flat rate of 75 cents
per pound on all cigarettes. Pre-
vious duties averaged from \$1.50
to 30 cents a pound. This appears
to indicate that the more expensive
brands of cigarettes smoked by
Europeans may be cheaper while,
inversely, the present cheaper
brands may increase slightly in
price. The new scale of duty is the
mean between \$1.50 and 30 cents,
and the same principle applies to
the duty on cigars which now be-
comes \$1.50 per lb. instead of vary-
ing between \$2.50 and 50 cents. An
increase in duty need not be passed
on to the consumer, a tobacco com-
pany desiring to sell cigarettes at
established prices might, in this
respect, the Ordinances would seem
to be largely ineffective. If there
is to be any effect of price, it will
not be felt for some little time, as
most of the large companies here
have duty-paid stocks to last for
some weeks.

The Wansbeck Election.

Interest in politics is not yet very
keen in England judging by the
light polling at Wansbeck, a
Labour hold in seat at Wansbeck,
Northumberland, and the support
given to the late member was well
maintained. The late Mr. G. H.
Warne polled one vote short of
22,000, and his successor has polled
20,393, but the "ervative" vote
has dropped 50 per cent from 18,900
to 9,600. The appearance of a
Liberal candidate (who polled
5,183) may account for some votes
being transferred, the former elec-
tion being fought between the
Labour and Conservative can-
didates. The fact that the anti-
Labour vote put together only
totals 14,700 indicates considerable
apathy among the Conservatives
and Liberals, while the Labour poll
is proportionately heavier than at
the last election.

Lancashire and China.

Although events in China during
recent months have brought some
satisfaction and relief to the long-
suffering British cotton goods indus-
try, Lancashire's under no delusion
that the present position will be
maintained indefinitely. The boy-
cott of Japanese goods, which ap-
pears to have eliminated them from
China's chief centres of distribu-
tion, can only last as long as the
two countries remain at variance,
and none are more conscious of the
fierce competition to be faced when
these differences are settled than
the manufacturers of Lancashire.
They are also well aware that the
seventy large cotton mills already
existing in China may before very
long become most formidable com-
petitors. At the same time, as Mr.
D. Maxwell Reekie told the China
and Far Eastern Section of the
Manchester Chamber of Commerce,
experience has helped to visualise
the vast possibilities of a popula-
tion constituting one-fourth of the
inhabitants of the globe, and with
organisation there is no reason why
Lancashire should not exert itself.
Of course, Lancashire has yet to
discover the best way to tackle
Japanese competition, but it is

CANTON-NANKING RAILWAY?

EXPERTS SURVEYING THE GROUND.

LINK BETWEEN BUSY CITIES.

(Wah Tai Yat Pao).

SHANGHAI, Feb. 17th.

The Nanking Railway Department is planning a railway between Nanking and Canton. Such a line would run through five provinces, Kiangsu, Anhui, Chekiang, Fukien and Kwangtung, touching many large cities. From Nanking it would go to Tangtu, Wuhu and Chikai, in Anhui, and then to Shuiian and Shengshan in Chekiang. In Fukien it would touch Pucheng, Lunggen and Yungting.

The Railway Department has despatched a corps of experts to make a preliminary survey.

RADIO EMBARGO LIFTED.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

NANKING, Feb. 17th.

The embargo on radio and wireless accessories has been lifted.

CHIANG KAI SHEK AT HANGCHOW.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

HANGCHOW, Feb. 17th.

President and Madame Chiang Kai Shek arrived here yesterday evening.

CHINESE IN ANNAM.

(Wah Tai Yat Pao).

SHANGHAI, Feb. 17th.

The Sino-French negotiations are progressing smoothly, and discussions were resumed this morning. M. Martel, the French Minister, is inclined to accept Dr. Wang's proposal for the revision of rates on passengers according to Chinese immigrants to Annam and other special taxes on Chinese business in Annam.

DOOMED TO FAILURE.

(Wah Tai Yat Pao).

SHANGHAI, Feb. 17th.

It is reported that Mr. Yoshizawa has received instructions from Tokyo not to continue negotiations with Dr. Wang if Japan's demands are not accepted by the Nationalist Government. It therefore appears that Sino-Japanese negotiations are doomed to failure.

Dr. Wang will return to Nanking from Shanghai to-day, so that the idea of holding a further conference to-morrow has been abandoned.

JAPAN'S DEMANDS.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

TOKYO, Feb. 16th.

Though official circles are reticent it is intimated in well-informed quarters that instructions have been despatched to Mr. Yoshizawa pointing out that Japan has already made considerable sacrifices in consenting to a mutual expression of apologies in regard to the Tientsin affair, and is not prepared to make further concessions. He insists that the question of compensation and damages be settled now, instead of putting it off for a separate settlement in the future.

It is expected that Mr. Yoshizawa will convey these views to Dr. Wang, for which reason the outcome of the next meeting will be awaited with special interest.

C. T. WANG STATES HIS CASE.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

SHANGHAI, Feb. 16th.

With reference to yesterday's leader in the Daily Telegraph, Dr. C. T. Wang, interviewed by Reuter, says there is no truth in the report that he is proposing to open negotiations for the retrocession to China of the Legation Quarter in Peking.

Dr. Wang added that the reasons given by the Daily Telegraph for the breakdown of the Sino-Japanese negotiations were based entirely on erroneous information. The assurance that the National Government would give full protection to Japanese lives and property after the withdrawal of Japanese troops from Shantung had been more than once officially given by the Chinese Government and accepted by Japan. It was quite another matter that had caused the present deadlock, but the cause had been withheld from the public at the request of the Japanese representative.

FENG'S CHIEF OF STAFF.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

SHANGHAI, Feb. 16th.

It is reported from Nanking that General Lin Chung Lin, Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang's Chief of Staff, left for Honan this afternoon.

AMERICA AND ARMS EMBARGOES.

DOUBTFUL VALUE.

CHINA'S CASE QUOTED.

(REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16th.

Giving evidence before the Foreign Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives on the resolution to permit the President to place an arms embargo against an aggressor nation in war-time, Mr. Kellogg declared that it would not be a neutral act for the President to determine the aggressor, but suggested that it would not be improper for the President to place an embargo on both belligerents. He doubted whether it would be of any value, however, as arms and munitions could be obtained from other sources. Mr. Kellogg referred specifically to China, where he said all the countries which had placed embargoes on the shipment of arms were now considering lifting them.

HUGE U.S. AIRCRAFT CARRIERS.

SENSATIONAL REPORTS DENIED.

DESTINED FOR "JUNK PILE."

(REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.)

New York, Feb. 17th.

There have been sensational newspaper reports to the effect that the new 33,000 tons aircraft carriers Saratoga and Lexington, which cost \$28,000,000, are destined for the "junk pile" owing to the cost of operating them. Undoubtedly induced by these reports the Secretary for the Navy, Mr. Wilbur, has stated that the aircraft carriers will continue in active service as long as money is available to operate them. He added that the recent suggestion that Congress should decommitment them would be "almost a calamity."

SELLING WAVE IN NEW YORK.

FEDERAL RESERVE BOARD'S CAMPAIGN.

(REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.)

New York, Feb. 17th.

A wave of selling has taken place on the New York stock market owing to the Federal Reserve Board's campaign to prevent diversion of funds for the purpose of carrying loans based on speculative values, and has caused another sharp decline in prices. Scores of popular railway and industrial securities fell from two to eight dollars per share and a few high priced specialties crumbled from ten to twenty-one dollars per share.

AIR FREIGHT LINER CHARTERED.

IMPORTANT DEVELOPMENT IN LONDON.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, Feb. 15th.

Business circles took considerable interest in a little ceremony which took place in the City this morning, the occasion being the signing of an agreement between the Easton Company and the Imperial Airways Limited for the charter of an air freight-liner.

The Easton Company require the use of the air-liner to convey a quantity of television apparatus to Berlin.

The agreement is exceedingly important as it will form the basis of similar charter agreements regarding aerial services in the future.

It consists of sixteen carefully-drafted clauses on lines which introduce to the aircraft world the same principles as in the shipping industry as regards chartering. It is thought that the charter-party will facilitate the employment of aircraft for business purposes.

LORD MAYOR'S FUND FOR MINERS.

SIR ROBERT HO TUNG'S GIFT.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, Feb. 16th.

Sir Robert Ho Tung has made a gift of £1,000 to the Lord Mayor's fund for the relief of miners in the distressed areas in Britain.

The fund has now reached the total of £284,000.

NAVAL ARMAMENT LIMITATION.

FOREIGN SECRETARY'S STATEMENT.

DOMINIONS TO BE CONSULTED.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, Feb. 17th.

The Foreign Office has stated that no change in the situation regarding naval limitation has taken place since Sir Austen Chamberlain informed the House of Commons on February 6th that His Majesty's Government is carefully examining "all questions concerning our relations with America and the naval conditions of the two countries."

This examination will be diligently prosecuted and as soon as it is concluded, the first step will be to communicate the results to the Governments of the Dominions and receive and consider their views. Therefore it is unlikely that His Majesty's Government will be in a position to make any further communication for some time.

A Personal View.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17th.

The British Ambassador, Sir Esmé Howard, in a letter to the press emphasises the fact that the statement printed below was merely an expression of his personal views, and was in no wise an official pronouncement.

Sir Esmé Howard said that the British Government is shortly to commence conversations with the principal naval Powers with a view to further limitation of naval armaments.

The British Ambassador stated that delay in the passage of the Cruiser Bill retarded British efforts towards further disarmament, but now that the measure had been enacted, he held that the ground was clear for new discussions. Any new discussions would certainly proceed on the assumption that the recently authorised cruisers would be built.

Sir Esmé added: "It would seem there is every reason to believe that now the Bill has been enacted, further efforts will be made before long to reach an agreement between the principal naval armaments."

The British Ambassador added that the General Election in Britain might, however, postpone any such discussion for some months.

American Co-operation.

The Ambassador expressed the opinion that everything pointed towards an early resumption of negotiations and, with a far better understanding of the needs of the respective parties than at Geneva in 1927, there should be a very good prospect of a satisfactory conclusion.

It is learned at the State Department that Mr. F. B. Kellogg has received no intimation officially in regard to disarmament from London; also that the American Government is willing to advance the date of the 1931 conference from August to January or February if the majority of the Powers concerned desired such a change.

Tokyo In Agreement.

Sir Esmé Howard's declaration in Washington for further armament limitation has struck a responsive chord in Japan.

Reiterating the Navy Minister's statements in the Diet on February 14th, the Naval spokesman emphasised the desirability of calling the Disarmament Conference before 1931 owing to the necessity of preparing replacement programmes beforehand.

Though the official report has not yet been received, the spokesman asserted that Japan is willing to agree to a further reduction of tonnage and guns if the agreement is reciprocal, but he recalled Japan's desire to change the present 5-5-3 ratio of capital ships into 10-10-7 for all classes of war craft.

BRITISH MOTOR-CARS DESTROYED.

MYSTERIOUS FIRE IN BUENOS AIRES.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

BUENOS AIRES, Feb. 16th.

A spectacular fire occurred on the water-front this morning, the blaze involving a large warehouse which was completely destroyed.

The warehouse was in the heart of dockland, and it contained seven hundred British motor-cars that had just been imported from England. All of them were engulfed in the flames.

The fire raged all the morning, and the damage is placed at over a million pesos. The cause is unknown.

BRIGHT OUTLOOK FOR STEEL.

GREATLY INCREASED PRODUCTION.

LARGER DEMAND FOR COAL.

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.)

RUGBY, Feb. 16th.

A great improvement is being shown in the British iron and steel industries. Last month the output of steel was 761,900 tons, nearly 100,000 tons larger than that for January last year. Reports from the shipbuilding districts show that progress is now being made with the laying down of new ships recently contracted for, while in the engineering districts of the Midlands the volume of work is steadily maintained.

The coal trade is experiencing a rapid increase in demand and many more pits are at work in South Wales, while there and in the Northern coalfields others are re-opening.

THE KING.

SLOW INCREASE OF STRENGTH.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, Feb. 16th.

The Prince of Wales spent six hours with the King on Friday at Craigwell House, Bognor. His Royal Highness afterwards returned to London.

Doctors Howitt and Woods were at Craigwell in the afternoon and applied luminous ray treatment to the King. They, and Lord Dawson, travelled back to London with the Prince in his special saloon. There was bright sunshine at Bognor early but later snow fell.

The windows of the King's bedroom which were opened for some time on Thursday, had to be kept closed on Friday.

Official Bulletin.

An official bulletin issued from Craigwell House on Friday evening states that despite the inclement weather the King continues to make slow progress and since his departure from London has increased in weight. It is understood the King was able to walk a few steps to the scales on which he was weighed. He is nevertheless still very weak, and the process of recovery is slow, so that it is still emphasised that the state of convalescence is not yet reached. The cold weather has naturally not helped to accelerate progress.

Duchess of York.

A medical bulletin regarding the Duchess of York says Her Royal Highness, though convalescing quite satisfactorily from influenza, will be unable to fulfil any engagements for the next week or two.

TOKYO ASYLUM ON FIRE. RESCUES OF MAD INMATES.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

TOKYO, Feb. 15th.

Fire has destroyed the Brain Diseases Hospital. Eleven of the patients were burnt to death while seven are missing. Distressing scenes marked the rescue of the inmates, all of whom were insane. They shrieked, laughed and acted hilariously as the rescuers attempted to save them, while the lurid flames lit up the darkness of the night.

Big Library Destroyed.

The Military School of Artillery and Engineering was also damaged.

Troops co-operating with Fire Brigades, finally controlled the conflagration in the early morning, but not before the flames, which were fanned by a strong wind, had gutted the main buildings of the hospital and also the military school, including the latter's library, in which about 100,000 valuable volumes are reported to have been destroyed.

RECLAMATION SCHEME IN GREECE.

SHEFFIELD SECURES CONTRACT.

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.)

RUGBY, Feb. 16th.

A contract for about £20,000,000 from the Greek Government for the reclamation and irrigation of great areas of land for agricultural purposes has been secured in the face of keen international competition by Henry Boot & Sons, Limited, the big Sheffield firm of public works contractors. The work will be spread over ten years.

to-day at Benneval, near Montiers, and there have been more than twenty deaths from cold in France on Saturday.

For the first time within living memory, three inhabitants of lonely Urk Island in the Zuider Zee succeeded in crossing the ice from Enkhuizen travelling northwards by Volendam and Marken to Urk.

LITTLE RELIEF FOR BRITAIN.

NO PROSPECT OF EARLY THAW.

SPAIN'S PLACE IN THE SUN.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

LONDON, Feb. 16th.

Europe continues to suffer from Arctic conditions, and the only relief that experts can promise to Britain is a slow rise of temperature to near freezing point. There is no prospect of an early thaw.

At Budapest the snowfall has brought to a standstill all traffic on twenty-three railway lines and communication with Vienna is severed. 2,000 passengers are stranded at Stuhlweissenburg in central Hungary. Numbers of deer, partridges and pheasants have been frozen to death in the woods. Many trains are now bound in south Sweden.

Disastrous Fires.

One of the most serious aspects of the cold in Paris is the number of fires. A provision dealer's depot has been gutted at Ivry, two factories destroyed at Lyons, and a wing of the hospital of St. Julien in Haute Savoie gutted. Here one patient died of exposure while sixty others were rescued.

At Brussels between four and five million francs worth of damage was done by a fire in a pottery near Charleroi where the water main had frozen.

From Copenhagen it is reported that all Danish waters are blocked with ice, while a critical situation has arisen on the east coast where many vessels are fast in the ice, some with damaged propellers and rudders.

A Bright Spot.

While the rest of Europe is freezing, Spain is still sunny and the temperature is normal.

A message from Warsaw states that after a cold wave lasting a fortnight the temperature has risen considerably, but severe snowstorms have disorganised railway, and road traffic. Lemberg is isolated and many factories are closed for lack of fuel.

Records Broken.

Intense cold continued throughout the British Isles on Saturday, and the frost in the early hours of the morning was the most severe since the terrible winter of 1895. Thirty-four degrees of frost were recorded at Ross-on-Wye in Hereford.

Heavy falls of snow have occurred, not only round London, but over the entire country, one of the worst storms occurring in North-East Yorkshire where the snowfall was the fiercest ever remembered in that part of the country.

The roads in many places throughout England and Scotland have been rendered impassable.

People were skating until long past midnight in many parts of London. Skating is also in full swing for the first time for thirty years on the River Nene in Northamptonshire.

The discomforts of residents of Central London were increased tremendously later in the morning by a choking, blinding pea-soup fog.

Ice-breakers are still busy on the upper reaches of the Thames, breaking up the ice to prevent danger when the thaw sets in.

On the Continent.

Further distressing stories of the effect of the Arctic wave are coming in hourly from all over Europe.

The cold wave in Austria, says a message from Vienna, is rapidly assuming the proportions of a catastrophe. Gigantic snowdrifts have blocked communications, and a lack of fuel is threatened at an early date, while there are innumerable cases of illness. Further reduction of the train services has been forced upon the authorities by the conditions. Many of the schools have been closed.

From Prague it is learned that the intense cold is slowly paralysing industrial life in Czechoslovakia. Many roads and the majority of the railway lines have been completely blocked by snowdrifts, and Bratislava and other towns have been isolated.

Many of the smaller factories in the country are entirely without coal, and have had to close down.

Lights Out in Berlin.

Reuter's Berlin correspondent cables that the centre of the German capital was this evening plunged into darkness as the result of the freezing of the main gas-pipes, which cannot be thawed owing to the danger of explosion.

Navigation of the Scheldt at Antwerp has now been suspended completely.

The River Seine at Paris is beginning to freeze over in earnest and water-borne traffic has already ceased owing to the danger of floating ice. The River Somme is completely frozen up in the Peronne and Abbeville districts.

Sea Frozen Over.

Even the sea has frozen over at Berck Plage, the ice being capable of bearing a man to a point a hundred yards from the shore.

A record low temperature of 88 degrees of frost was registered (Continued on previous Column.)

AMANULLAH'S GOOD OPPORTUNITY.

TURKISH-TRAINED OFFICERS.

HABIBULLAH MASSING TROOPS.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 17th.

The former Turkish Ambassador in Moscow, Vassil Bey, has arrived from Odessa.

He declared that according to Soviet Government's information, Amanullah is likely again to become master of the situation in Afghanistan.

Sixty Afghan officers, who have completed the course in the military academy at Constantinople, left for Kandahar on February 16th to help Amanullah in his struggle for the throne.

High Handed Methods.

A message from Termez states that Habibullah, one of the pretenders to the Afghan Throne, is mobilising troops and requisitioning supplies without making payment for them.

As a result, the population at Kugistan has revolted.

The chiefs of the Shinwari and Kugiani tribes have disarmed part of the Army of the pretender, Ali Ahmed Khan, some of whose troops have deserted and gone over to Habibullah.

A special Jirga has been summoned at Koda, near Jelalabad, for the purpose of adjusting inter-tribal disputes and arranging a campaign against Habibullah.

Independent Tribesmen.

A message from Kabul states that the tribesmen between Kandahar and Jelalabad have declared themselves independent of the authorities at Kabul and Kandahar.

Fighting has begun among the Kugiani, Shinwari and Mohmand tribes in the region of Jelalabad. There is a food shortage in Kabul and looting has begun.

BRITISH INDUSTRIES FAIR.

BOTH PARTS TO BE OPENED ON MONDAY.

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.)

Rome, Feb. 16th.

The two sections of the tenth British Industries Fair will open simultaneously on Monday at (Continued on next Column.)

Telegram in Brief.

The timber strikers in Melbourne are beginning to lose enthusiasm, much dissatisfaction having been expressed with the smallness of the strike pay. It is thought that an early collapse is likely. From Adelaide it is learned that the Disputes Committee are recommending the timber strikers to resume work under Judge Lukin's recent award in favour of a 48-hour week.

Colonel Fitzmaurice, the Chief of the Irish Free State Air Force, who accompanied the late Baron von Huenefeld and Capt. Scholtz in the Bremen famous Atlantic flight, the first to be accomplished from east to west, has resigned his post.

The Inter-State Commerce Commission has approved the scheme promoted by the leading American railways for the consolidation of the entire railway goods-carrying business of the country. Under the scheme, railway goods traffic is to be in the hands of a single company to be known as the Railway Express Agency, Incorporated, the profits derived therefrom to be divided among the railways in proportion to the business they contribute.

Senator Elihu Root sailed on his 54th birthday for Geneva to participate in the deliberations of the Committee of jurists to consider amendments to the statute creating the World Court.

The death is announced of Mr. Melville Elijah Stone, ex-General Manager of the Associated Press of America.

The death has occurred of Mr. W. B. S. von Steen Callenfels, Chief Engineer, Siam Navigation Department, whilst on furlough.

In consequence of the recent unusual cold influenza is prevalent in Osaka, the daily death toll being over 50.

The Kobe District Court has sentenced 26 Communists to imprisonment, the terms ranging from two to eight years.

Castle Bromwich, Birmingham, and the White City in London. At the former there will be on view the best show of heavy engineering ever seen in this country with the possible exception of that at the British Empire Exhibition at Wembley. It covers an area of eleven acres. At the White City the lighter industries are represented, there being 1,400 exhibitors.



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WEEK-END FOOTBALL.

SHANGHAI DEFEATED BY THE UNITED SERVICES.

PLAYER IN TROUBLE WITH REFEREE AT CAROLINE HILL.

JUNIOR LEAGUE RESULTS.

Saturday's game resulted as under:

Interport game:—
U. Services 2 Shanghai 1

HONG KONG LEAGUE.

DIVISION II.	
Queen's R.R.	3 S. China "B" 0
R.A. Res.	3 Eastern F.C. 0
R. Navy Res.	3 K.O.S.B. Res. 0
Club de R.R.	4 S. China "A" 2
R.A.F.	4 K.F.C. Res. 2

China Athletic Reserves and St. Joseph's game not played.

DIVISION II.

LEAGUE TABLE TO DATE.

		Goals
R. Navy Res.	P.W.D.L.F.A.P.	
K.O.S.B. Res.	14 12 1 1 61 13 25	
Queen's R.R.	13 10 1 1 50 14 23	
China Ath. Res.	11 8 1 2 27 10 17	
R.A.F.	16 6 2 3 35 38 14	
St. Joseph's	16 6 2 3 24 25 14	
S. China "B"	15 6 2 7 24 35 14	
K.E.O. Res.	14 3 5 6 16 39 11	
Eastern F.C.	13 3 4 6 19 28 10	
R.A. Reserves	14 4 2 8 23 46 10	
Club de R.R.	13 4 2 9 18 43 10	
S. China "A"	18 1 7 8 19 33 9	
St. Units Res.	17 3 11 20 54 9	

SHANGHAI v. UNITED SERVICES HONG KONG.

Shanghai made their final appearance in Interport Football on the H.K.F.C. ground on Saturday in this match and a large crowd saw a keenly contested game in which victory went to the Services by the odd goal in three. The following teams lined out as usual: Shanghai: Mott (Beds and Herts Regt.); McGregor (H.M.S. Kent); Baker (H.M.S. Titania); Everest (K.O.S.B.); Evans (H.M.S. Bruce); Hill (Queen's Royal Regt.); Van Tromp (H.M.S. Hermes); Firth (H.M.S. Suffolk); Kernick (H.M.S. Titania); and Caldwell (Queen's Regt.).

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Shanghai won the toss and the spectators were quickly given plenty of excitement, for Shanghai were awarded a free kick and, to the consternation of the home team, Mott misjudged the shot. Stung by this reverse the Services attacked with vigour, some delightful work in which Caldwell, Kernick and Peacock were prominent, keeping the Shanghai defence extended. The shooting of the home team was inclined to be a trifle wild at this stage Van Tromp and Peacock both putting over from good scoring position. Brilliant combination between Favacho and Pote-Hunt seemed certain to lead to a further score, but Hill cleared in great style. Play continued to rule slightly in favour of the home team, but Read and Palmer were defending grandly. The Services efforts were eventually rewarded, when Peacock got past David after a beautiful opening had been presented by Firth.

Half-time: Shanghai 1 Services 1. After a smart attack by the home left wing had been repelled and David had cleared a centre from Van Tromp, Shanghai took up the running Mott being called upon to save from Favacho and Wilson. The Services then put in a fine piece of work, but Kernick finished with a shot which David easily cleared. The winning goal arrived after strong pressure. Peacock scoring with a fine drive. The Visitors fought hard for the equaliser, but their forwards were not quite as effective as usual against the destructive work of Everest, Evans and Hill. The closing stages saw the Services well on top, but David, Read and Palmer holding out magnificently to the end.

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and defence. The forward line was not so impressive as on previous occasions, although Favacho, Jones and Wilson were responsible for many clever movements.

DIVISION II.

NAVY v. K.O.S.B.

Great interest was attached to this game at Happy Valley on the Navy ground as the teams were leading the League with an equal number of points. The Navy won a capital game by three goals to one. The Borderers forwards were ably led by Crawley and only a good display by Willis and Carey, the Navy backs, kept them at bay at the other end and by Clarke and Sorbie enabled Evans to score. The Borderers came back to the attack and Stevens who was playing extremely well equalised a few minutes from the interval.

Both goals had some thrilling escapes but the Borderers who were doing most of the attacking missed several chances. Then Gray secured the ball in his own half and rushed through the defence to beat Shears. The Navy goal again had some narrow escapes but Gray again broke away and netted with a fine drive.

Result: Navy 3 K.O.S.B. 1

QUEEN'S REGIMENT v. SOUTH CHINA "B".

These teams met in a return encounter at Caroline Hill on Saturday, the Queen's again taking full points. Unfortunately South China "B" again found themselves in trouble with the referee and as a result of arguments over a second whistle Captain A. Austin, M.C., M.M., and Mr. F. Smith officiated as line-man.

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A GLORIOUS FESTIVE WIND-UP!

INTERPORT FOOTBALLERS' DINNER AT HOTEL SAVOY.

SIR SHOUSON CHOW DISAGREES WITH KIPLING.

HONG KONG RECEIVES THE CUP.

Footballers never take their pleasures sadly and this fact was doubly emphasised at the Interport Footballers' Dinner in the Hotel Savoy on Saturday evening. The Chairman, Mr. E. M. Dyer, (President of the Hong Kong Football Association) was supported by the Captain of the Hong Kong and Shanghai teams, Messrs. J. McKelvie and S. V. Gash.

The guests included the Hon. Sir Shouson Chow, the Hon. Dr. S. W. Tse, O.B.E., LL.D., the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., LL.D., Mr. P. J. Wodehouse, C.I.E., Mr. R. G. Herbert, Capt. H. G. Reed, Mr. R. Hall, Mr. A. T. Hamilton, Mr. H. K. Lee, Mr. J. Ormiston, Mr. F. Black, Mr. F. Smith, Mr. J. H. Lawrence, Lieut. Comdr J. P. White, D.S.C., and Capt. A. W. Austin, M.C., M.M., R.A.

Following the loyal toast, Mr. Dyer proposed the toast of the Shanghai Football Association. He emphasised the pleasant times they had spent together. As a Hong Kong man, he could honestly say that he was sorry that Shanghai had been beaten. The game had been played as it should have been. Cordial relations had existed all along between the teams and individual members and so long as the two Associations existed, that spirit would continue. He coupled with the toast the name of Capt. Reed. (Applause.)

Shanghai's Reply. In reply, Mr. S. V. Gash thanked the H.K.F.A. for the generous way in which the Shanghai team had been received and entertained. He felt extremely sorry that Shanghai had lost but they had lost to a better team.

They had come down to Hong Kong full of hopes and aspirations but after the first game, had to crawl into their shells. They were able to better the state of affairs, however, in the match with the Chinese Athletic Association. That had also been a splendid game in which all the best tenets of sportsmanship had been upheld. (Applause.)

In conclusion, he said that the H.K.F.A. had gone out of their way to assist the Shanghai team who appreciated to the last degree all that had been done to make their stay in Hong Kong most enjoyable. (Applause.)

Praise for Hong Kong. Proposing the toast of the Hong Kong Football Association, Capt. Reed congratulated Mr. Dyer upon being President of such a fine Association whose true motto was sportsmanship. They had made this manifest in all the games.

He also congratulated all the hard-working officials of the Association upon the splendid results of their labours and expressed special appreciation of the work of the general and energetic secretary, Mr. Holland. The referees, Messrs. Smith, Holland, and Capt. Austin, were also deserving of highest praise.

Whenever a difficulty arose, the cry had gone up, "Where is Holland?" When a referee was wanted, again the shout was, "Where is Holland?" There were associations who would welcome the services of such an admirable individual. Mr. Campbell, Hong Kong's trainer, had also been a tower of strength to his side.

"He trained the Hong Kong team to such good effect that they were able to give us a great hiding," said the speaker. "Had it not been for his efforts, Hong Kong would not have walked away from us they did." (Hear, hear.)

Cup Handed Over. Capt. Reed said he had a rather unpleasant task to perform. He had to hand over the Interport Cup to Hong Kong. (Cheers.) He (Continued on next Column.)

KOWLOON v. BELGENLAND.

This friendly match was played on the Railway ground, Kowloon, on Saturday and resulted in a well-merited win for the Home team after a keen sporting struggle. Kowloon forwards were combining better than in some of their recent League encounters, Miles, Spary and Eastman doing well together. Fairs in the visiting goal kept in most capable style.

Half-time: Kowloon 0 Belgenland 0. Exchanges ruled in favour of the Home team for some time after the resumption and Miles beat Fairs with a fast drive. The visitors fought hard for an equaliser but their combination left something to be desired. Kowloon in the latter stages were in the ascendancy. Spary netting. The game was completed in a most sporting spirit and the visitors appeared to have thoroughly enjoyed their defeat.

Result: Kowloon 2 Belgenland 0.

a hearty welcome to the guests of the evening. He was immensely gratified to note two Chinese players representing the Chinese community in the first "Soccer" game. These two players had justified their selection and he had just got it on the authority of the Captain of the Shanghai team that the Chinese players acquitted themselves as good, clean sportsmen. (Applause.)

He saw his first "Rugger" game on Chinese New Year. Previous to that he had only seen Rugby football at the cinema. The game at Happy Valley thrilled him through and through. It was strenuous and filled him with excitement.

Nothing was better for closer relationship between the peoples of Shanghai and Hong Kong than these interport matches and he felt sure that the exchange of visits must conduce to greater friendship. (Applause.)

"Wearing the Kilt." The Chairman said he was pleased to see their old friend, Sir Shouson Chow, wearing the kilt (laughter) and he had much pleasure in calling upon him to speak.

Sir Shouson Chow said that on behalf of the guests he thanked Dr. Kotewall for the hearty manner in which he had proposed their health. He said he was by no means an after-dinner speaker. He did not know until he arrived at the dinner that he was expected to respond to a toast. Had he known earlier he would have made a bee-line for Shanghai the day before. (Laughter.)

It was the usual thing, he supposed, for after-dinner speakers to get up on their hind legs and talk, and talk, and talk. (More laughter.) He was afraid he would disappoint them on that score. Nevertheless, with all due respect to their hosts, he felt he was earning his dinner. (Laughter.)

He very much regretted that he had not been able to see both the games. He saw the first game and was so excited over the play that he would have liked to have jumped into the field and taken a "log" at the ball. On the other hand, it was extremely likely that had he been a member of either of the teams he would now be under 6 feet of earth in the Chinese cemetery! (Loud laughter.)

Kipling Disappointed. It was very gratifying to him to see the Chinese taking increasing interest in sports and games during recent years. He thought that football was the most popular of the outdoor games to the Chinese.

He always liked to impress on young Chinese students who played football that it did not matter whether they won or lost. If they lost, they could try again; if they won, they should beware of getting swelled heads. It was the way in which they played the game which really mattered. (Hear, hear.)

He considered that all international sports, and especially football, should be encouraged in every possible way. Football was the medium of bringing the nations together in friendly rivalry, it brought about mutual understanding and trust, and could only end in international co-operation. (Applause.)

He felt that East and West were drawing closer together, more and more every day. He had firm convictions on this point and thought that the words of "that great Britisher," Mr. Kipling, "East is East, West is West, and never the twain shall meet," were being disproved daily in our midst. That quotation belonged to the past.

International Brotherhood. Intimate contact between people of different nations conducted to knowledge, he went on. Knowledge resulted in mutual understanding, and understanding brought unanimity. He firmly believed, therefore, that while international sports and games continued to flourish, the establishment of perfect universal peace and international brotherhood could not be far distant. (Loud applause.)

Mr. Herbert then presented a silver cigarette case to Mr. Holland from the Shanghai team as a token of appreciation of his very efficient work as honorary secretary of the H.K.F.A.

Thanking the visitors for the gift, Mr. Holland said his work had always been a personal aspect and it was due to the co-operation of the Selection Committee, the Reception Committee, and all other officials concerned that success had been achieved. Whatever had been done had only been reciprocating what had been done for them in Shanghai.

Words failed him to express his gratitude for the gift which he would always prize beyond measure. (Applause.) Very rarely does the Press figure on the toast list in Hong Kong. On this occasion, however, the Chairman proposed the toast of "The Press."

Mr. H. A. Field, of the Daily Press, responded and said that the ideal after-dinner speech should commence with, "Have you heard this one?" (Hear, hear.)

HOME FOOTBALL RESULTS.

CLOSE GAMES IN F.A. CUP SERIES.

SINGLE GOAL VICTORY FOR HOLDERS.

ENGLISH AND WELSH AMATEURS DRAW.

The Arsenal, West Ham United and Portsmouth were firmly held down when they visited the grounds of lower Division opponents in the fifth round of the Football Association Cup matches on Saturday. All three matches resulted in draws and produced a total of only four goals. Among the First Division teams to qualify for the last round before the semi-finals are Aston Villa, Huddersfield, Bolton Wanderers and Blackburn Rovers—all winners of the trophy in recent years. West Bromwich Albion, now a Second Division team and heroes of many Cup fights in the old days, also got through by a comfortable victory over Bradford.

With the exception of Huddersfield and West Bromwich, the other teams had to fight hard for survival. Reading reached the end of their tether, but they took one goal in a total of four from the Villa. Bolton and Blackburn such succeeded in defeating their opponents by one goal. The lower placed Bury field last season's Cup winners to the only goal in the match.

There were two drawn games in the third round of the Scottish Cup matches. The Rangers, Celtic and St. Mirren who enter the next round were the winners of the trophy for the last three seasons. Celtic, who have won the Cup on twelve occasions, were beaten in the final last season by the Rangers whose remarkable form at present promises a repetition of the "double" this season.

Many of the League matches in the programme had to be postponed owing to deep snow on the grounds. A feature of the senior games was the defeat of Burnley by Manchester United who also gained an unexpected victory against a strong side during the week.

Results of Saturday's matches and revised League tables are appended.

[THROUGH THE PRESS AGENCY.]

F.A. CUP MATCHES.

Fifth Round.

Reading	1 Aston Villa	3
Huddersfield	5 Crystal Pal.	1
Swindon	0 Arsenal	0
West Brom	6 Bradford	0
Leicester	1 Bolton	2
Blackburn	1 Bury	0
Bournemouth	1 West Ham	1
Chelsea	1 Portsmouth	1

SCOTTISH CUP MATCHES.

Third Round.

Raith Rovers	3 Dunbarton	2
Celtic	3 Arbroath	1
Airdrie	1 Motherwell	1
Ayr United	0 St. Mirren	2
Falkirk	3 Aberdeen	5
Dundee	1 Dundee United	1
Albion Rovers	0 Kilmarnock	1
Clyde	0 Rangers	2

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Derby	2 Birmingham	2
Leeds U.	0 Newcastle	0
Manchester U.	1 Burnley	0
Sunderland	3 Manchester C.	1

Division II.

Barnsley	1 Notts For.	2
Blackpool	0 Clapton	1
Hull	0 Tottenham	1
Millwall	3 Preston	1
Notts C.	2 Middlesbrough	3
Southampton	3 Bristol O.	3
Swansea	3 Stoke	3
Wolves	0 Oldham	0

Division III (Southern).

Brentford	1 Coventry	0
Bristol R.	1 Luton	0
Exeter	1 Brighton	1
Motherly	0 Charlton	3
Newport	0 Plymouth	0
Southend	3 Norwich	3
Walsall	2 Fulham	0
Watford	4 Queens P.R.	1

Division III (Northern).

Ashington	4 Doncaster	7
Crewe	0 Rotherham	1
Darlington	0 Wrexham	0
Halifax	4 Accrington	2
Lincoln	3 Bradford C.	4
Nelson	1 Chesterfield	0
Southport	0 New Brighton	0
Stockport	3 Hartlepool	0
Tranmere	1 Carlisle	2
Wigan	4 Rochdale	1

*Postponed.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Division I.

Partick	3 Hibernians	0
Queen's Park	6 St. Johnstone	0

AMATEUR INTERNATIONAL.

ENGLAND DRAW WITH WALES.

BIRMINGHAM, Feb. 18th.

Five thousand spectators were present at the amateur international football match between England and Wales. The match was played here to-day in fine weather on a hard, snow-covered ground. The result was a draw, each side scoring one goal.

LEAGUE TABLES.

The English League Tables and Scottish League Table (Division I), up to and including matches completed on Saturday are appended.

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

DIVISION I.

	P.W.D.L.F.A.Pts.
Wednesday	25 15 8 5 57 30 33
Sunderland	25 15 4 2 50 45 25
Blackburn	25 12 4 5 55 38 25
Durham	25 14 5 10 40 46 33
Aston Villa	25 15 3 9 54 33 23
Leeds	25 13 6 8 56 60 32
Leicester	25 12 7 6 53 49 31
Huddersfield	25 12 6 10 57 39 30
Everton	25 13 3 12 45 44 29
Newcastle	20 12 4 14 49 59 28

DIVISION II.

	P.W.D.L.F.A.Pts.
West Ham	25 11 5 15 48 37 27
Sheff. U.	25 10 7 19 62 37 27
Sheff. W.	25 10 6 12 61 61 26
West Ham	25 10 6 13 53 63 26
Birmingham	25 10 5 12 56 56 25
Burnley	25 11 3 13 57 60 25
Cardiff	25 9 14 23 39 22
Manch. U.	25 9 14 24 61 21
Bury	25 8 17 40 65 21
Portsmouth	25 10 13 25 63 30

DIVISION III.

	P.W.D.L.F.A.Pts.
Middlesbrough	25 15 8 7 54 46 33
Chelsea	25 14 9 2 48 37 27
St. Johnstone	25 10 14 1 51 36 31
Notts C.	25 14 8 3 42 40 34
Millwall	25 14 6 5 49 43 34
Grimby	25 14 5 6 55 45 33
Stoke	25 13 8 4 49 34 32
Bradford	25 14 3 10 41 47 31
Blackpool	25 12 5 12 59 54 29
Preston	25 12 5 12 56 54 29
Notts For.	25 10 10 49 51 29
Wolves	25 10 7 11 58 55 27
Hull	25 10 7 11 48 51 27
West Brom	25 10 6 11 48 54 26
Swansea	25 15 5 7 52 46 34
Tottenham	25 11 3 14 50 31 23
Reading	25 7 8 11 49 60 24
Bristol C.	25 9 15 14 47 33
Barnsley	25 9 15 14 40 50 22
Oldham	25 8 15 15 35 52
Port Vale	25 10 17 47 57 21
Clapton	25 6 15 31 54 19

DIVISION III (SOUTH).

	P.W.D.L.F.A.Pts.
Norwich	25 15 6 7 72 39 36
Ulster	25 15 6 7 72 44 36
Charlton	25 15 5 7 67 39 35
Luton	25 13 7 6 47 38 33
Queen's P.R.	25 13 9 7 45 43 33
Plymouth	25 13 6 7 54 38 32
Coventry	25 12 7 10 48 35 31
Bournemouth	25 12 7 7 56 47 31
Crystal P.	25 13 5 7 50 43 31
Watford	25 14 2 10 49 49 30
Swindon	25 11 6 9 52 50 28
Walsall	25 10 8 10 54 56 28
Southend	25 7 9 8 53 47 27
Brentford	25 10 12 40 43 28
Torquay	25 10 12 40 43 28
Bristol R.	25 9 14 14 41 53 22
Brighton	25 9 14 14 38 62 22
Gillingham	25 7 16 33 58 19
Norwich	25 8 16 40 48 18
Newport	25 8 14 39 48 18
Motherly	25 8 1

SATURDAY'S
CRICKET.

FIRST LEAGUE.

Playing on their own ground, Kowloon C.C. lost to Hong Kong Cricket Club by nine wickets. Batting first, Kowloon were given a good lead in the first wicket partnership between Bruce (62) and E. C. Fincher (38) which realized 77 runs. E. F. Fincher followed with 28 and Hall made 17. The remainder of the team failed to make a stand against Wales' bowling, and the side was dismissed with 150 runs. Wales took 6 wickets for 49.

For the Club, Pearce and Evers put up a brilliant partnership which paved the way to victory for the Club. Pearce made 88 and Capt. Evers contributed 37. The Club then passed their opponents' total for the loss of one wicket. E. J. R. Mitchell carried on with Pearce and scored 51. The second wicket fell for 118. Capt. Dobbie (13 not out) and H. Owen Hughes (11 not out) were still batting when stumps were drawn with 135 for 3 wickets.

Scores:—
Hong C.C., 185 for 3.
Kowloon C.C., 150.

ROYAL NAVY v. CIVIL
SERVICE C.C.

On their own ground at King's Park, the Royal Navy defeated the Civil Service C.C. by 91 runs. The home team opened the batting in a very consistent manner and compiled a total of 153 for 9 wickets declared. Sub. Lt. Singleton (41) and Capt. Weir (27) were top scorers. Kelly bowled well and took 4 wickets for 34.

Evans (43) and Woods (14) started well for the Civil Service; but of the remainder of the team only E. W. Hamilton (20) and H. D. Wallington (16) could make a stand against the bowling. The side was dismissed for a total of 62 runs. Large took 4 wickets for 53, and Watch captured 6 for 34.

Scores:—
Royal Navy, 153 for 9 wickets declared.
Civil Service C.C., 62 runs.

UNIVERSITY v. INDIAN R.C.

On their own ground at Pokfulam, the University defeated the Indian R.C. by 40 runs.

University were given a good lead through Anderson (50) and A. A. Rumjahn (23), which encouraged the remainder of the team to bat with splendid consistency. Only two other batsmen failed to get into double figures, and the side declared with 154 for 8 wickets.

The Indians made a bad start and lost 4 wickets with only 43 runs. A. H. Rumjahn (46) then altered the outlook, and A. K. Minu made 24 not out. A. A. Rumjahn (4 for 47) and A. T. Lee (2-31) dismissed the remainder of the team for a total of 144 runs.

Scores:—
University, 154 for 8 wickets declared.
Indian R.C., 144 runs.

SECOND DIVISION.

HONG KONG C.C. 2nd v.
UNIVERSITY 2nd.

Playing on their own ground, Hong Kong C.C. 2nd XI. defeated University 2nd XI. by six wickets. University batted first and put up a respectable score for the first five wickets. The remainder of the team collapsed, and four batsmen were dismissed for nil. The side made 147 runs, of which A. B. Suliman (37) and M. B. Osman (26 not out) were top scorers. Vallack took 3 for 20, and Reid 4 for 40.

The Club replied with a huge total of 208 runs. Batting was very consistent. The fourth wicket partnership between L. W. Walkinshaw (20) and R. H. Dowler (47) made victory certain for the Club. A. Reid also scored 24. Osman took 4 for 54 and Roy 3 for 41 runs.

Scores:—
Hong Kong C.C. 2nd, 203 runs.
University 2nd XI, 147 runs.

FRIENDLY MATCHES.

"EWO" v. "WAYFOONG."

The Annual match between the "Ewo" (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.) and "Wayfoong" (The Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation) resulted in a victory for the former by eight wickets. The game was played on the Chinese R. C. ground at Causeway Bay.

Parker was in fine form with the ball, and was mainly responsible for the dismissal of the Bank team for 73 runs. Cornaby (28) and Bailton (20) for top scorers for the "Wayfoong".

The Bank replied with 154. Parker again shone with the bat, and retired with 51 runs. J. Hall also retired after making 51.

Scores:—
"Ewo" (Jardine), 73 runs.
"Wayfoong" (Bank), 154 runs.

C.C.C. 2ND XI. v. I.R.C. 2ND XI.

On their own ground at Happy Valley, Craigengower C.C. defeated the Indian R.C. 2nd XI. by eight wickets. The Indians batted first and were dismissed for a total of 128 runs. M. Fakir (35) and A. Butt (29) were top scorers. Y. Abbas took 4 for 20.

E. Zimmern (39) and H. P. Lim (37) started well for the Craigengower, followed by a contribution of 103 by J. W. Leonard who retired after attaining his century. He made 98 runs from boundaries alone! When stumps were drawn the side had compiled 278 runs for 8 wickets.

Scores:—
C.C.C. 2nd XI, 278 for 8 wickets.
Indian R.C. 2nd XI, 128 runs.

ELECTRIC R.C. v. R.A.S.C.

At Sookunpoo the Electric R.C. defeated the Royal Army Service Corps by 33 runs. Electric batted first and made 103 runs, of which W. H. V. Murdoch made 37. The R.A.S.C. could only reply with 90 runs. Murdoch took 6 wickets for 8.

Scores:—
Electric R.C., 103 runs.
R.A.S.C., 90 runs.

KOWLOON C.C. 2nd v. POLICE R.C.

Journeying to Happy Valley, the Kowloon C.C. defeated the Police R.C. by two wickets. The Police batted first and made 107 runs. S. Randle (34) was highest scorer, while B. Petheram took 5 wickets for 29. Kowloon started badly, but S. Jex (35) and H. A. R. Puttee (25 not out) changed the aspect of the side.

The visitors passed their opponents' score after the loss of the eight wickets and went on to make 127 runs. King took 3 for 27 and Noonan took 2 for 14.

Scores:—
Kowloon C.C. 2nd, 127 runs.
Police R.C., 107 runs.

C.S.C.C. 2ND v. CLUB DE
RECREIO.

At Happy Valley the Club de Recreio defeated the C.S.C.C. 2nd XI. by 34 runs. The visitors batted first and made 153 runs. M. F. Pinnas (35) and J. E. Noronhas (34) were top scorers. Eldridge took 3 wickets for 55 and Harper took two for 8.

For the C.S.C.C. made 122 runs for eight wickets when stumps were drawn. G. Gull (24) and Harper (21) were highest scorers. Pinnas showed the best analysis with 2 wickets for 20.

Scores:—
Club de Recreio, 153 runs.
C.S.C.C., 122 for 8 wickets.

LEAGUE TABLES.

The positions in the League to date are:—

Division I.				
	P.	W.	D.	I. Pts.
Hong Kong C.C. 1st	6	4	2	14
Royal Navy	6	3	1	10
University	6	3	1	10
Kowloon C.C.	7	2	3	9
Indian R.C.	6	2	2	8
Chinese R.C.	6	2	1	7
Civil Service	7	1	3	6
Craigengower	7	1	3	6
Royal Artillery	3	1	0	3
Division II.				
	P.	W.	D.	I. Pts.
Indian R.C. 2nd	12	9	1	28
H.K.C.C. 2nd	10	9	0	27
R.E. & S.	10	8	0	24
K.C.C. 2nd	10	4	2	16
Craigengower 2nd	10	4	2	14
Recreio	11	4	1	13
R.A.S.C.	11	3	2	11
C.S.C.C. 2nd	9	3	2	11
University 2nd	7	2	3	8
Royal Navy 2nd	7	2	1	7
Police R.C.	10	2	0	6
Electric R.C.	9	0	3	6
R.A.O.C.	5	0	5	0

YESTERDAY'S CRICKET.

VOLUNTEERS v. UNIVERSITY

Playing at Pokfulam, the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps defeated the University by 38 runs. H. Owen Hughes scored 82 for the Volunteers, including 16 boundaries. He had already taken 5 wickets for 68 runs.

The scores:—

University.				
D. J. N. Anderson, b Owen Hughes	41			
D. Laing, c Suliman, b Parker	8			
E. A. Lee, b. w. b Parker, c F. I. Zimmern, c Reid, b Divett	0			
S. V. Gittins, b Owen Hughes	19			
A. T. Lee, c Batger, b Owen Hughes	19			
A. A. Rumjahn, c Burton, b Summers	58			
S. R. Kermani, b Owen Hughes	34			
F. H. Traves, c Batger, b Owen Hughes	5			
D. K. Samy, c Mackay, b Summers	22			
A. B. Suliman, not out	1			
Extras	28			
Total	228			

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
H. V. Parker	15	3	45	2
A. Reid	12	1	53	0
J. A. Summers	7	2	18	2
G. E. B. Divett	5	0	17	1
H. Owen Hughes	13	3	68	5

(Continued on next column)

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

YESTERDAY'S GAME.

QUEEN'S v. SOUTH CHINA.

Yesterday, at Caroline Hill, South China and Queen's Regt. met in a friendly game, which, in view of the early departure of the Regt. was in the nature of a farewell event, arranged by the sporting Chinese Association.

A good crowd witnessed the game, Admiral Chan Chak from Canton being one of the visitors. The Queen's were early pressing but Pau Ka Ping was very safe in South China's goal. After several attempts to break through, the Queen's took the lead through Caldwell who beat Pau from twenty-five yards with a fast cross shot. Play was very bright and the pace a fast one. South China got away and Fung King Cheung tested the Queen's in front of goal, but Cantor handled him well. Kwek Lun scored from the penalty spot and made the scores equal. Half-time: South China 1, Queen's Regt. 1.

It was in the second half that the Queen's showed their skill and put on three goals without reply from South China.

The soldiers failed to score from a penalty, Pau bringing off a fine save. Queen's took the lead when Caldwell was sent down the wing and Richardson meeting the centre banged in a shot that Pau failed to see. With this success, the Queen's attacked strongly and Richardson again beat Pau.

South China then had a turn of attacking but failed to penetrate the solid defence of the Queen's. Dodds in goal being on top form. The Queen's scored again, Warner taking a pass from Larkin and Pau was beaten for the fourth time.

The Queen's continued to attack and when the final whistle sounded they were leading by four goals to one. The game was interesting and very fast throughout.

Volunteers.

O. S. Moore, b A. T. Lee	0
N. A. E. Mackay, b Gittins	1
H. V. Parker, b A. T. Lee	12
H. Owen Hughes, c Zimmern, b Anderson	82
K. H. Batger, b. w. b Rumjahn	32
A. Reid, run out	0
J. A. Summers, c A. Lee, b Suliman	15
G. E. B. Divett, b Anderson	61
H. L. F. Ewin, c and b A. T. Lee	11
H. T. Burton, c Kermani, b Anderson	17
E. R. West, not out	1
Extras	28
Total	264

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
A. T. Lee	15	7	54	3
S. V. Gittins	10	1	45	1
D. J. N. Anderson	12	3	28	3
A. Rumjahn	15	3	72	1
F. I. Zimmern	4	1	15	0
D. K. Samy	3	1	10	0
A. B. Suliman	2	0	10	1

YACHTING.

THE WEEK-END RESULTS.

QUEEN BEE WINS YESTERDAY'S RACE.

The 9th championship race for racing yachts took place on Saturday, the course being as follows:—Lyemun Beacon (P.), Kowloon Rocks (P.), Mark in Quarry Bay (P.), Channel Rocks (P.), a distance of 8.9 miles.

In the handicap class the race was won, on corrected time, by Colleen, Diana eventually placed third being the first to finish.

In the I and G class Gael won on corrected time, Pierrette being second. Ailsa was first home about a minute ahead of Gael.

Boojum carried off the Y class event, Zephyr being second. Boojum also had the satisfaction of being first past the winning post.

The full results were as follow:—

Handicap Class.	
(Start at 2.25 p.m.)	Finish—Corrected—
Colleen (1st)	4.31.13 4.29.00
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Rolls (4th)	4.34.53 4.34.56
La Linda (2nd)	4.32.15 4.28.33

"I" and "G" Classes.

(Start at 2.30 p.m.)	
	Finish—Corrected—
Daphne (8th)	4.50.19 4.50.19
Ailsa (3rd)	4.48.19 4.48.19
Gael (1st)	4.49.18 4.48.33
Pierrette (2nd)	4.51.10 4.47.29
Thecla (5th)	4.52.38 4.50.03
Joan (4th)	4.53.52 4.49.56

"Y" Class.

(Start at 2.35 p.m.)	
	Finish—Corrected—
Why Wonder (7th)	4.57.49 4.57.49
Wings (6th)	4.53.31 4.53.31
Bluenose (4th)	4.52.16 4.52.16
Boojum (1st)	4.48.40 4.48.40
Speedwell (3rd)	4.50.42 4.50.42
Adamac (8th)	6.02.12 5.02.12
Zephyr (2nd)	4.56.20 4.56.20
Lola (5th)	4.56.47 4.52.51

5th Championship (Cruisers).

The 5th championship race for cruisers took place yesterday, the course, a distance of 13 miles, being as follows:—(1) Discovery Bay Islets (S.), (2) Mark on linea (P.), (3) Lyemun Beacon.

The race started at 10.05 a.m. and the first boat home at 5.22.07 was La Cigale, closely followed by Queen Bee.

Queen Bee was placed first on corrected time and Cigale—reversing Rudyard Kipling's epigram about "the least boat wins"—was indeed placed last, except for Typhoon which did not finish. The results were as follow:—

(Start at 10.05 a.m.)	
	Finish—Corrected—
La Cigale (7th)	5.22.07 5.22.07
U. and I. (8th)	5.28.55 5.02.17
Feathers (4th)	5.31.13 4.48.26
Norseman (3rd)	5.30.37 4.38.58
Typhoon	Did not finish.
Queen Bee (1st)	5.22.39 4.24.18
Curler (2nd)	5.31.07 4.30.58
Coquette (5th)	5.31.24 4.51.14

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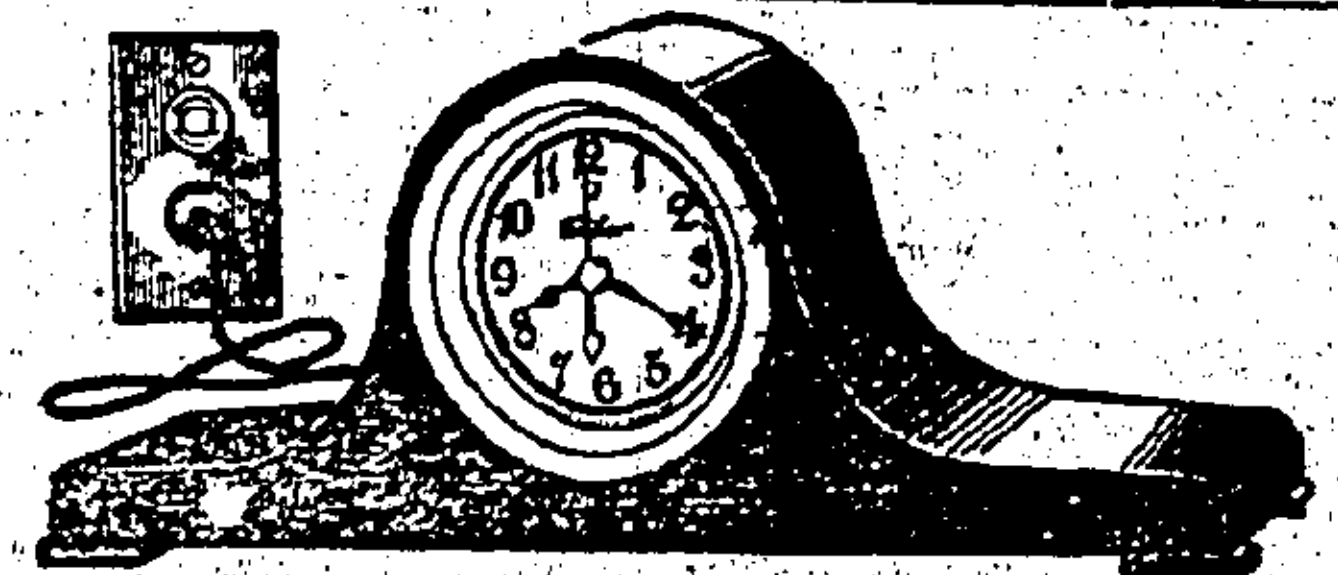
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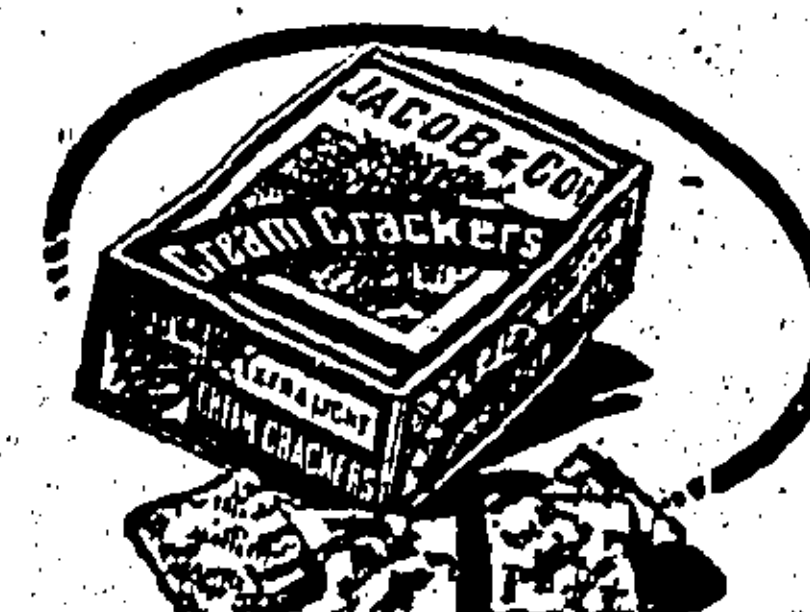
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All matches to be played on a finish. First round to be played on or before March 3rd; second round, March 17th; semi-final, March 31st; final (36 holes), April 14th.

G. M. YOUNG CUP.

Dodwell's won the G. M. Young Cup at Fanning yesterday, beating the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank in the final by 6 points to 3. After the morning singles the scores were level with 3 points each, but Dodwell's won all three fourballs in the afternoon.

PASSENGERS.

Arrivals.

The following passengers arrived on Saturday by the s.s. Khiva from London and ports—Mr. and Mrs. Gelling and child, Mr. T. W. Riddell, Mr. J. B. Robson, Mr. and Mrs. Bradley, Mr. S. C. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Terry, Sub-Lieut. F. D. Brown, G. R. Cadiz, J. O. Mansell, G. A. Mosley and G. A. Norfolk, Miss K. P. Curtin, Miss E. M. Gray, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Lamb, Miss K. F. Bennington, Miss M. A. Karslake, Mr. W. Orr, Lt. Com. Pigott, Marine A. G. Barlow, Capt. C. R. L. Scott, Mr. Wm. Thomson, Lt. R. B. Halliwell, Mr. A. Cowper-Dobbin, Mr. J. Barkley, Miss H. J. Blott, Mr. G. Harrison, Mr. and Mrs. Wells and daughters, Mr. R. J. Sheppard, Mr. G. F. Gilbert, Mrs. Lord and two children, Mr. H. Hill, Mr. H. J. Bayliss, Mr. E. McGill, Mr. and Mrs. Spence, Miss Chope, Sister Barbara, Mr. L. R. Boulter, Sub-Lt. R. C. Duckworth, Engr. Capt. and Mrs. Aitkenhead, Mr. H. Pullen, Mr. Gillet, Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs, Mr. and Mrs. D. Tratman, Mr. and Mrs. McConaughy, Mr. Edwards, Mr. E. H. Smith, Mr. P. Squire, Mr. L. N. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. Scott and Master Scott, Mr. R. W. Lee, Mr. H. Thomson, Mr. and Mrs. Dunn, Mr. Mui Kwong Lun, Mr. Y. Y. May, Mrs. Wood, Lt. F. E. Lefroy, Mr. and Mrs. Vellenger, Mr. W. A. Ouwkerk, Miss A. Klauber, Mr. F. Tong, Dr. Cogan and daughters, Mr. A. Solter, Mr. C. W. Wong, Mr. W. Scames, Mr. Gun Peck Beng, Mr. and Mrs. Atkinson, Misses Beard, Vymet, Fredrick, Baye, E. Baye, Jukes, James and Hammond, Mr. Standmore, Mr. Desmond, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Strong, Mr. Bray, Mr. Bradfield, Mr. Blyth, Mr. and Mrs. T. Chuin and infant, Mr. W. Yates, Mr. W. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. H. Vanderstegen, Mr. J. E. Hope, Mr. D. Fraser, Mr. J. M. Bland, Mr. F. Hawden, Miss I. Catt, Mr. M. D. Moolchand.

Departures.

The following passengers left by the s.s. Kashgar on Saturday for Marseilles and London—Mr. J. H. Ashton, Miss W. M. Barton, Mrs. W. T. Bisset, Mr. D. Barst, Mrs. M. A. Cullen-Ward, Mr. F. W. Cavanagh, Lt. Comdr. E. G. Chichester, Mrs. D. M. Dinsdale, Mr. R. H. Davidson, Mr. C. Falkner, Mr. C. M. Goodall, Miss A. M. Greenacre, Miss C. G. Greenacre, Miss C. E. A. J. Hopegood, Mr. J. R. Harder, Mr. and Mrs. F. Keen, Mrs. N. Leslie and two children, Mr. E. de Lee, Mr. T. O'Brien, Mr. R. C. Pascoe, Mr. T. L. Rasmussen, Mr. H. E. Sandy, Mr. H. C. Umrigar, Mr. A. Walsh, Miss J. E. Walenn, Mr. W. S. K. Allen, Engr. Capt. and Mrs. E. E. Bartlett and Master G. E. Bartlett, Lieut. and Mrs. K. W. Beard, Miss Berry, Mr. P. Bethell, Mr. H. Bethell, Mr. R. Cryan, Lieut. C. T. Collett, E. W. Davis, Lieut. J. F. E. A. Fenall, Mr. H. N. Ferrers, Mr. W. W. Geddes, Lieut. H. B. Hilbeck, Mr. G. H. Hill, Mr. P. T. Hutchings, Mrs. P. Jacks, Mr. A. Langley, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Lindell, Miss H. Lindell, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Longbottom, Miss Longbottom, Mr. J. D. MacLaren, Mr. and Mrs. A. Merkle and the Misses Merkle, Lieut. W. R. Monk, Mrs. E. S. Murphy, Mr. M. H. Murphy, Mr. W. P. Price, Lieut. G. F. Renwick, Mr. C. W. P. Richardson, Mr. F. J. de Rome, Mr. W. G. Sheldford, Mr. V. Sorby, Mr. J. B. Swan, Mr. E. Thompson, Mr. R. S. Vergette, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Wadmore, Miss E. C. Wadmore, Mr. J. Williams, Mr. A. E. Witte, Mr. J. M. Winbourn, Staff-Capt. and Mrs. H. Cooper and two children, Miss L. Cooper, Miss L. Erikson, Mr. E. Hada, and Ensign and Mrs. W. B. Wolbourn and two children and infant.

Money and Markets

CANTON COTTON YARN REPORTS.

At Shanghai prices on Saturday for Chinese yarns dropped by one tael per bale. The market in Canton was active, but the Shanghai news had a depressing effect and prices dropped from one to two dollars per bale for native yarns. Quotations at Saturday's market for cotton yarn were as follows:—

	Per Bale
No. 42 Five Sons	\$545
Fui Hee	516
Butterfly	524
No. 32 Pine Deer	486
Tin Koon	458
Double Horse	453
No. 29 City of Gold	387
Globe	300
Good Harvest	313
Double Horse	317
Tin Koon	290
Double Dragon	323
Shepherd	309
Three Stars	312
No. 18 Globe	305
Fui Kwei	300
Man Clock	292
No. 12 City of Gold	288
Crescent	275
Tramcar	272
Aeroplane	272
No. 10 Sailing Vessel	265
Peacock	266
Lotus Bee	254
Three Ship	255
No. 6 Lion	218
Lion No. 2	188

CANTON FOOD MARKET.

Quotations at today's market for rice, sugar, flour and oil were as follows:—

	Rice	Per Picul
Chai Mi White		\$11.55
Kam Fung Yut		8.40
Red Seal White		8.54
Green Lion		8.84
Blue Seal		10.00
Three Marks		10.00
Blue Lion		10.00
Blue Seal Brewer		6.18
Green Seal Brewer		6.38
	Sugar	Per Picul
No. 2 coarse powdered		8.40
No. 3 coarse powdered		8.00
No. 20 coarse powdered		8.20
No. 1 Granulated		11.10
No. 1 Fine Granulated		11.50
Refine White		10.00
Waidow Native White		9.80
	Flour	Per Bag
Man-of-War		\$4.15
Sword of Kwantai		4.25
Cheung Luk		4.10
Canon		4.80
Banana		4.05
Cabbage		4.40
Silver Seal		4.10
Tai Kut		4.42
Five Swallows		4.42
	Oil	Per Picul
Groundnut		24.50
Fanchi		24.50
Min How		24.50
Honaa		24.50
Tientsin		24.50
Kwangsi Wood		23.00
Kwangsi Tea Seed		19.60

	Per Picul
Man-of-War	\$4.15
Sword of Kwantai	4.25
Cheung Luk	4.10
Canon	4.80
Banana	4.05
Cabbage	4.40
Silver Seal	4.10
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CANTON STOCK EXCHANGE.

SATURDAY'S QUOTATIONS.

	Canton, Feb. 16th.
Water Works	\$3.80
Electric Light & Power Co.	4.80
Canton-Hankow Railway	0.50
The Sun Company	9.25
Sinapore Company	10.10
Nanyang Bros. Tob. Co.	4.30
Canton Tramways	2.40
China Merchants S.S. Nav. Company	7.00
Central Bank	4.60

C.E.R.'S DECEMBER EARNINGS.

BIG EXCESS OVER LAST YEAR'S TAKINGS.

Harbin, Feb. 2nd.—The earnings of the C.E.R. for December reached the imposing figure of close on 8 million gold roubles, or three-quarters of a million in excess of last year's December takings. The exports via Vladivostok exceeded slightly those to Dairen. Exports using the latter port, whose cargo still is unshipped, are now forced to pay 10 per cent. increase on the export duty, as they only pay Customs dues when the cargo is loaded on to vessels. Shippers via Vladivostok are more lucky, having been obliged to pay this duty on the cargo leaving Harbin, thus, all their cargo sent previous to February 1st, only paid the old rate of duty. The Bourso Committee have been unable to get the Customs to agree to admit cargo which left Harbin for Dairen before the first of this month to pay the old rate.

GRAINS.

HIGHER PRICES EXPECTED AT HOME.

Messrs. Pentreath & Co. have handed us the following letter from Messrs. Hornby, Hemelryk & Co., Liverpool, of January 18th:—

Wheat has registered a sharp advance during the past week, but, at the time of writing, an easier tone has developed. The rise has been caused by a good demand from millers in this country induced by heavy flour purchases, and also by the large quantity of wheat which continues to be absorbed by ex-European countries.

Canada has sold a large quantity of wheat both for January and February shipment, but she is by no means a pressing seller at the moment. In the United States, talk of a Farmers' Legislation Bill has caused bullish markets, but the rise has not brought out any sellers. The Plate has shown more reserve and has obtained better prices. Australia has only been offering sparingly, and values show a sharp advance. India and Russia present no new feature.

Shipments: 2,746,000 qrs., against 2,512,000 last week. On passage: 7,185,000 qrs., against 6,645,000 last week.

With Canada, Australia and the Plate showing more reserve, it is quite possible that higher prices will be seen in the immediate future. Extreme caution is, however, necessary. The market can easily become overbought, as there are still abundant supplies of Wheat in the world.

The visible supply in the United States of:—Wheat is 171,119,000 bushels, against 114,472,000 last year; Corn, 20,383,000 bushels, against 28,534,000; Oats, 13,829,000 bushels, against 21,079,000.

The visible supply in Canada of:—Wheat is 78,538,000 bushels, against 61,640,000 last year; Oats, 8,433,000 bushels, against 3,343,000.

According to the last Argentine weekly grain report, good rains have fallen in Santa Fe and Cordoba, proving beneficial to the Corn crop, but rainfall has been insufficient in other districts, particularly in the early sown areas, where rain is now badly needed.

Argentine stock—Wheat 300,000 tons, Corn 100,000 tons, Oats 30,000 tons, Linseed 65,000 tons.

A message from Chicago states that the Wheat market is broadening, and speculative sentiment is in favour of the article. Recently millers have been good buyers, but heavy short covering lately has weakened the technical position. We believe the market will work irregularly lower, but no substantial decline is probable while Corn is so strong.

January 14th.—There is a large speculative interest open, the public being attracted by the rise of 10c. to 15c. in Wheat and Corn from the recent low levels. The weather is too cold in the Winter Belt. Some people stress the fact of the large world disappearance of Wheat. The speculative world is more friendly to commodity markets in general.

January 15th.—Wheat is lower with export bids too low. The market acts long, the North-West is weak.

Corn.—The strength of Buenos Aires has resulted in a broad speculative demand for Corn. Country offerings and primary receipts are not especially large, and we believe that the weather in the Argentine will be the dominating factor during the next fortnight. Argentine reports confirm continued drought.

Corn is held by unfavourable reports from the Argentine of the continuance of dry and hot weather and on bullish advices from abroad. Oats and Rye.—Independent features in Oats and Rye are lacking. We expect these markets will move in sympathy with Corn and Wheat.

BUSINESS DEALINGS OF SENATOR.

EXPERTS REPORT ON M. KLOTZ.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

PARIS, Feb. 16th.

On the demand of his counsel, who was not satisfied with the report of three mental experts, ex-Senator Klotz has been subjected to tests by three eminent specialists who have also pronounced him to be sane and responsible for his actions.

Ex-Senator Klotz, it will be recalled, is being prosecuted on charges of uttering cheques, with insufficient cover, in connection with the purchase of a motor-car, and with forging the name of a business man as an acceptor of a bill of exchange.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

	FEBRUARY 16th, 1929.
S.K. Bank	\$1,245 buy.
Do.	\$1,244 buy.
Chartered Bank	\$231 buy.
Overland Bank	\$231 buy.
Do.	\$231 buy.
P. & O. Bank	\$231 buy.
East Asia Bank	\$231 buy.
Canton Insurance	\$373 buy.
Union Insurance	\$373 buy.
North China Ins.	\$180 buy.
China Insurance	\$180 buy.
China Underwriters	\$180 buy.
Hong Kong Fire Ins.	\$180 buy.
Douglas	\$180 buy.
H.K. Steamships	\$180 buy.
H.K. Tugs	\$180 buy.
Indo-China (Pref.)	\$180 buy.
Do. (Def.)	\$180 buy.
Shell Transport	\$180 buy.
Do. (new)	\$180 buy.
Union Waterworks	\$180 buy.
Banquet	\$180 buy.
Kailan Mining Admin.	\$180 buy.
Langkai (combined)	\$180 buy.
Do. (single)	\$180 buy.
Shan. Explorations	\$180 buy.
Shanghai Loans	\$180 buy.
Bank of China	\$180 buy.
Bank of Communications	\$180 buy.
H.K. & W. Wharves	\$180 buy.
H.K. & W. Dock	\$180 buy.
China Provident	\$180 buy.
Hongkong	\$180 buy.
New Engineering	\$180 buy.
Shanghai Dock	\$180 buy.
Kwo Cottons	\$180 buy.
Do. (new)	\$180 buy.
Oriental Cottons	\$180 buy.
Shan. Cottons (old)	\$180 buy.
Do. (new)	\$180 buy.
H.K. & S. Hotels	\$180 buy.
H.K. Lands	\$180 buy.
Shanghai Lands	\$180 buy.
Humphreys Estates	\$180 buy.
H.K. Roadways	\$180 buy.
H.K. Tramways	\$180 buy.
Peak Trust (old)	\$180 buy.
Do. (new)	\$180 buy.
Star Ferry	\$180 buy.
China Lights	\$180 buy.
H.K. Electric (old)	\$180 buy.
Do. (new)	\$180 buy.
Macao Electric	\$180 buy.
Sandakan Light	\$180 buy.
Telephones (old)	\$180 buy.
Do. (new)	\$180 buy.
China Bank	\$180 buy.
Singapore Tractors	\$180 buy.
Do. (Pref.)	\$180 buy.
China Sugars	\$180 buy.
Malayan Sugars	\$180 buy.
Canton Ice	\$180 buy.
Cements (combined)	\$180 buy.
Do. (old)	\$180 buy.
H.K. Ropes (old)	\$180 buy.
Do. (new)	\$180 buy.
United Asbestos	\$180 buy.
Dairy Farms	\$180 buy.
Watsons	\$180 buy.
Der A. Wing	\$180 buy.
Lane Crawford	\$180 buy.
Mackintosh	\$180 buy.
Sinapore	\$180 buy.
Wm. Teveland	\$180 buy.
H.K. Amusement	\$180 buy.
H.K. Constructions	\$180 buy.
Squa. Indus. G.S. Bonds	\$180 buy.
H.K. Govt. Loans	\$180 buy.
buy—buyers; sel.—sellers; sa.—sales; nom.—nominal.	

RUBBER.

ERRATIC MARKETS.

Messrs. Pentreath & Co. have handed us the following letter from Messrs. Hornby, Hemelryk & Co., Liverpool, of January 17th:—

After a long spell of inactivity, the market has been very active, and outside speculators have shown considerable interest in the article.

Several reasons have combined towards the present conditions, viz:—

1. Less rubber than had been anticipated has up to now been shipped to this country.
2. Actual shortage of near rubber in the East.
3. Considerable short interest in January/March and April/June.
4. Heavy buying at full prices by America in the East.

Moreover, we hear that receipts at Singapore are at present on the small side, and that an additional export duty of 1/4d. per lb. will be imposed from the 17th inst.

All these factors resulted in a rapid advance in heavy buying by outsiders and on considerable short covering. Erratic markets have been witnessed, and at the height of activity, Spot was, as already mentioned, quoted at 11 1/2d. Naturally, however, the pace could not last, and, after speculative demand had been satisfied, there was a sharp reaction.

There is no doubt that certain financial groups are watching the market very closely, and we believe that support will be forthcoming to take care of any rubber offered at comparatively cheap prices.

The trade has not been very active during the recent period, but we observe a distinctly better enquiry now that there has been some reaction, and we look for increased interest from that quarter. Whilst the markets have moved much more rapidly than we had anticipated, some of the advance was, in our opinion, justified, and we feel that, when the present nervous tension has ceased, prices will gradually appreciate.

Stock: 23,016 tons in London and 1,630 tons in Liverpool, increases of 1,630 tons and 567 tons respectively. American consumption during December is returned as only 21,200 tons which is disappointing, as a higher figure had been expected.

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Fres. Johnson, Sun., Mar. 24, 8 a.m.

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Fres. Wilson, Sun., Apr. 21, 8 a.m.
Fres. Van Buren, Sun., May 5, 8 a.m.

To Manila

Fres. Jackson, Feb. 26th, 6 p.m.
Fres. Taft, Mar. 2nd, 6 p.m.
Fres. McKinley, Mar. 12th, 6 p.m.

Fres. Jefferson, Mar. 18th, 6 p.m.
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AMOI, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SUNNING" On 19th Feb.	3 p.m.
BANGKOK	"KUNGBOROW" On 20th Feb.	4 p.m.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"CHENAN" On 21st Feb.	8 a.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"CHENGTO" On 21st Feb.	8 p.m.
WHANGHAI, CHENGTO & TIENTSIN	"KURICHOW" On 21st Feb.	4 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	"SUIYANG" On 24th Feb.	8 a.m.
SHANGHAI & DALNY	"YINGOROW" On 24th Feb.	8 a.m.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"KWANGCHOW" On 24th Feb.	Noon
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANKING" On 24th Feb.	5 p.m.

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PORTHOIS	9th Apr.	ATHOR II	9th Apr.
CHENONCEAUX	23rd Apr.	D'ARTAGNAN	23rd Apr.
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STATION	16th FEBRUARY, 1929										17th FEBRUARY, 1929									
	Barometer at Sea Level	Inches	Millim.	Thermometer	Humidity	Wind	Force	Direction	Clouds	Remarks	Barometer at Sea Level	Inches	Millim.	Thermometer	Humidity	Wind	Force	Direction	Clouds	Remarks
Wladivostok	12	30.21	767.3	20	...	...	0	b	...	...	30.23	767.8	5	...	...	0	b	...	...	...
Nemuro	11	29.93	760.0	...	...	NNW	4	...	...	...	30.02	762.5	...	...	...	WNW	4	...	...	...
Hokodate	...	30.02	762.5	...	...	N	3	...	...	...	30.04	763.0	...	...	...	NW	1	...	...	...
Tokio	...	30.12	765.0	...	...	SW	1	...	...	...	30.22	767.5	...	...	...	WSW	1	...	...	...
Kochi	...	30.26	768.5	...	...	N	1	...	...	...	30.30	769.5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nagasaki	...	30.33	770.5	...	...	ESE	1	...	...	...	30.28	769.0	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Kagoshima	...	30.30	768.5	...	...	ESE	1	...	...	...	30.24	768.0	...	...	...	NW	1	...	...	...
Oshima	...	30.26	768.5	...	...	NNE	2	...	...	...	30.12	765.0	...	...	...	ESE	1	...	...	...
Naha	...	30.18	766.5	...	...	ENE	2	...	...	...	30.10	764.5	...	...	...	SE	2	...	...	...
Ishigakijima	...	30.16	766.0	...	...	E	2	...	...	...	30.06	763.5	...	...	...	NE	3	...	...	...
Bonin Island	...	30.16	766.0	...	...	WNW	1	...	...	...	30.26	768.5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chafoo	15	30.13	765.3	56	94	SW	2	b	...	...	30.05	763.2	40	100	...	S	4	...	...	...
Shanghai	14	30.28	769.2	55	86	S	2	b	...	...	30.18	766.5	43	97	...	SE	2	...	...	...
Gutalaff	...	30.35	770.9	46	89	ESE	2	...	...	...	30.22	767.6	44	92	...	SE	1	...	...	...
Sharp Peak	...	30.19	766.8	60	82	E	1	...	...	...	30.12	765.0	52	86	...	W	1	...	...	...
Amoy	...	30.13	765.3	62	61	NW	4	b	...	...	30.18	765.3	54	89	...	E	4	...	...	...
Swatow	...	30.15	765.8	58	88	E	2	b	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Taihou	11	30.20	767.1	60	82	E	4	...	...	...	30.12	765.0	59	96	...	...	...	...	...	...
Taihu	...	30.15	765.9	70	...	NW	2	b	...	...	30.12	765.0	59	...	...	N	2	...	...	...
Tainan	...	30.15	765.9	70	...	N	2	b	...	...	30.11	764.7	59	...	...	N	2	...	...	...
Koshun	...	30.12	765.0	73	...	NNE	4	b	...	...	30.05	763.2	64	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Pescadore	...	30.18	766.5	59	...	NNE	4	...	...	...	30.13	765.3	55	...	...	N	4	...	...	...
Hong Kong	14	30.13	765.3	65	60	E	6	...	...	...	30.18	765.3	57	86	...	E	2	...	...	...
Gap Rock	...	30.12	765.0	...	...	ENE	5	...	...	...	30.10	764.5	...	...	...	ENE	4	...	...	...
Macao	...	30.08	764.1	63	70	ESE	4	...	...	...	30.08	764.1	55	90	...	ESE	2	...	...	...
Holbow	...	30.06	763.5	71	74	NE	4	b	...	...	30.05	763.2	66	86	...	NNE	6	...	...	...
Pratas Island	15	30.06	763.5	61	98	ENE	2	...	...	...	30.06	763.5	61	...	...	ENE	2	...	...	...
Philien	...	29.99	761.7	73	...	ESE	4	...	...	...	30.01	762.2	68	...	...	SE	4	...	...	...
Tourane	...	29.95	758.1	79	...	ENE	6	...	...	...	29.85	758.3	77	...	...	E	4	...	...	...
Cape St. James	14	29.99	761.7	73	75	NE	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Batoc	...	29.95	760.8	79	73	NE	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Aparri	...	29.92	759.9	84	68	NW	2	...	...	...	29.97	761.1	66	98	...	...	...	...	...	...
Tuguegarao	...	29.86	758.4	84	60	SW	4	...	...	...	29.89	759.3	72	91	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vigan	...	29.84	757.8	86	68	NNE	4	...	...	...	29.87	758.7	77	88	...	N	1	...	...	...
Manila	...	29.82	757.5	79	91	N	2	...	...	...	29.86	758.4	73	96	...	N	2	...	...	...
Legaspi	...	29.82	757.5	81	84	S	2	...	...	...	29.86	758.4	75	94	...	NW	2	...	...	...
Calbayog	...	29.81	757.2	79	84	N	6	...	...	...	29.84	757.8	73	94	...	N	4	...	...	...
Tacolban	...	29.79	756.6	86	58	NE	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Iloilo	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cebu	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Surigao	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Saipan	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Guam	12.22	29.82	757.5	...	...	R	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Yap	11.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	29.86	758.4	...	...	...	NE	4	...	...	...
Pelew	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ponape	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Labuan	14	29.82	757.4	84	91	SE	4	b	...	...	29.86	758.4	77	94	...	NE	2	...	...	...

February 17th, 10h. 50m.—The anticyclone has weakened and is now central over S.W. Japan.

Moderate to fresh monsoon may be expected over the China Sea.

Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 0.86 inches, against an average of 2.41 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON ON THE 18th.

DISTRICT.

- 1.—Formosa Channel
- 2.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Lamecks
- 3.—Hong Kong to Gap Rock
- 4.—South coast of China between Hong Kong and Hainan

FORECAST.

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, Feb. 17th.

Previous On Date On Date

Day at 2 p.m. 6 a.m. 3 p.m.

Barometer... 30.13 30.13 30.09

Temperature... 65 57 64

Humidity... 60 56 75

Wind... Direction East East East

Force... 2 2 2

Weather... 0 0 B

Rain... 0.00 0.00 0.00

Highest open-air Temperature, 16th: 65

Lowest open-air Temperature, 17th: 58

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning;

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From February 15th to 24th, 1929.

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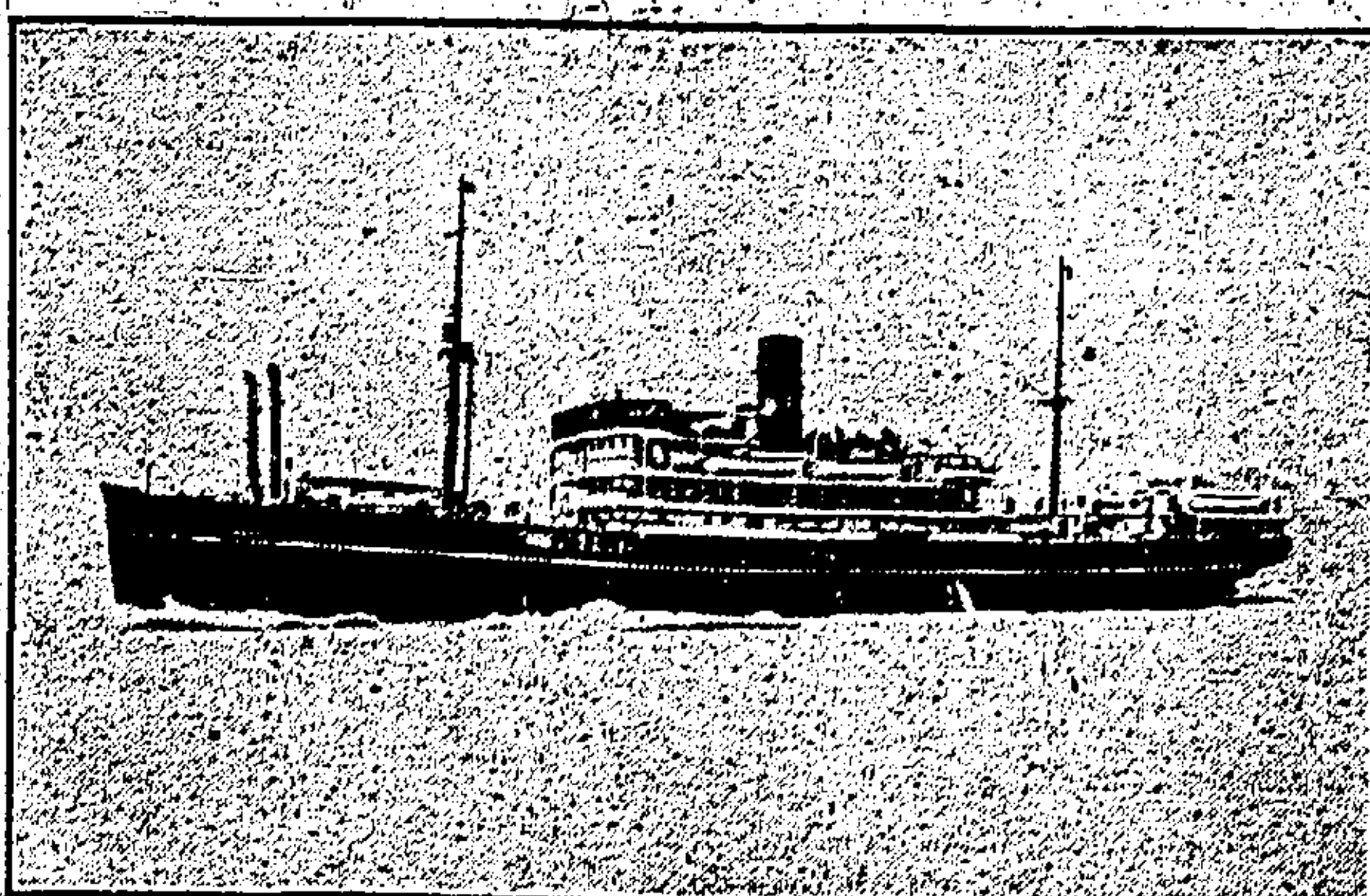
Day of Week	Month	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Mon.	18	h. m.	4. 30	h. m.	1. 15
Tues.	19	h. m.	4. 30	h. m.	1. 15
Wed.	20	h. m.	4. 30	h. m.	1. 15
Thurs.	21	h. m.	4. 30	h. m.	1. 15
Fri.	22	h. m.	4. 30	h. m.	1. 15
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Steamers	Hong Kong	Shanghai	Kobe	Yokohama	Vancouver
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Mar. 6	Mar. 13	Mar. 14	Mar. 23	Mar. 23
EMPEROR OF ASIA	Mar. 10	Mar. 17	Mar. 18	Mar. 27	Mar. 27
EMPEROR OF FRANCE	Mar. 13	Mar. 20	Mar. 21	Mar. 30	Mar. 30
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Mar. 17	Mar. 24	Mar. 25	Mar. 34	Mar. 34
EMPEROR OF ASIA	Mar. 20	Mar. 27	Mar. 28	Mar. 37	Mar. 37
EMPEROR OF FRANCE	Mar. 24	Mar. 31	Mar. 32	Mar. 41	Mar. 41
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Mar. 27	Mar. 34	Mar. 35	Mar. 44	Mar. 44
EMPEROR OF ASIA	Mar. 31	Mar. 38	Mar. 39	Mar. 48	Mar. 48
EMPEROR OF FRANCE	Mar. 34	Mar. 41	Mar. 42	Mar. 51	Mar. 51
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Mar. 38	Mar. 45	Mar. 46	Mar. 55	Mar. 55
EMPEROR OF ASIA	Mar. 41	Mar. 48	Mar. 49	Mar. 58	Mar. 58

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Shipping News

Week-End Statement, Waterfront News.

WEEK-END FREIGHT RETURNS.

VERY HIGH IMPORTS FOR SATURDAY.

THROUGH FREIGHTS VERY GOOD.

The general cargo returns for the week-end were on the whole very good. On Saturday the local imports were very high, with fairly good through freights. Yesterday's returns showed moderate imports with heavy cargo for through ports. Thirty-five arrivals and twenty-eight departures were shown of which eleven arrivals and twelve departures were British.

Saturday's Figures.

The twenty arrivals and fifteen departures for the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. on Saturday showed exceptionally heavy cargoes for this port. Through freights were also good.

Fifteen vessels discharged 27,307 tons, of which 9,204 tons were contributed by two British ships. The two best return were from the s.s. Tjikembang (Dutch) from Surabaya and Batavia with 6,543 tons of sugar and general merchandise, and the s.s. Mekeijo Maru (Japanese) from Wakamatsu and Sakito with 4,932 tons of coal.

Cargo for through ports amounted to 10,118 tons. Three British ships contributed 816 tons. The two heaviest carriers were the s.s. President Pierce (American) from Seattle and Shanghai with 4,173 tons of general merchandise, and the s.s. Tjikembang (Dutch) from Batavia with 2,618 tons of sugar and general merchandise.

Sunday's Statement.

Yesterday's freight returns, showed a decrease in local imports, but a heavy total for through freights. There were fifteen arrivals and thirteen departures, of which six arrivals and six departures were British.

Cargo from nine vessels for Hong Kong amounted to 9,461 tons. Five British ships contributed 7,071 tons.

The two best returns were from the s.s. Glenagarry (British) from Middlesbrough and Singapore with 2,500 tons of general cargo, and the s.s. E. V. Courageous (American) from Baltimore and Manila with 2,270 tons of oil fuel.

Through freights amounted to 21,397 tons. Five British ships carried a total of 16,697 tons. The two best carriers were the s.s. Demodocus (British) from Birkenhead and Singapore with 6,510 tons, and the s.s. Khiva (British) from London and Singapore with 3,653 tons.

Freights For The Week.

During the week from Monday, 9 a.m. till yesterday 9 a.m., 107,173 tons of general merchandise were discharged at Hong Kong. This shows an increase of over 30,000 tons against the previous week's figures. Cargo for through ports amounted to 120,500, a decrease of nearly 35,000 tons on the previous week.

ARRIVALS.

February 15th.

Hsin Foo Sing, Chinese str., 331 tons, Capt. R. Semann, from Whampoa, which port she left on February 15th, lying at buoy No. A25.—Berg & Co.

Michael Jensen, Danish str., 1,342 tons, Capt. H. Ipland, from Bangkok, which port she left on February 7th, with rice and general cargo, lying at buoy No. C39.—Chia Seng Hong.

President Pierce, American str., 8,393 tons, Capt. Henry Nelson, from Seattle, which port she left on January 30th, with 2,144 tons of general cargo, lying at Kwloon Wharf.—Dollar S.S. Line.

Tai Poo Sek, French str., 1,219 tons, Capt. Maternus Paul, from Port Bayard, with 450 tons of general cargo, lying at buoy No. A10.—Shun Cheong Co.

Wing Wo, Chinese str., 603 tons, Capt. J. D. de Lencastre, from Kwang Chow Wai, with 300 tons of general cargo, lying at Sai-kong Wharf.—Chup Yick.

February 16th.

Chinkiang, British str., 1,229 tons, Capt. C. Springer, from Canton, lying at buoy No. C37.—B. & S.

Demodocus, British str., 4,183 tons, Capt. J. L. Spratt, from Singapore, which port she left on February 11th, with 1,500 tons of general cargo, lying at Holt's Wharf.—B. & S.

Hydangea, British str., 561 tons, Capt. W. Brewer, from Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at Chiu On Wharf.—Chiu On S.S. Co.

Hellas, Norwegian str., 1,114 tons, Capt. T. Davidson, from Bangkok, which port she left on February 8th, with 2,015 tons of general cargo, lying at buoy No. B21.—Thoresen & Co.

Khiva, British str., 9,135 tons, Capt. P. O. Butten, from London, which port she left on January 10th, with 2,089 tons of general cargo, lying at Kwloon Wharf.—P. & O.

Nam Sang, British str., 4,038 tons, Capt. P. Mooney, from Singapore, which port she left on February 9th, with 1,500 tons of general cargo, lying at Kwloon Wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Tjikembang, Dutch str., 5,029 tons, Capt. T. P. Schattenberg, from Batavia, which port she left on February 8th, with 6,543 tons of sugar and general cargo, lying at buoy No. A4.—J.C.I.L.

Yat Shing, British str., 1,428 tons, Capt. P. Jovitt, from Canton, lying at buoy No. C16.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

February 17th.

Deli Maru, Japanese str., 1,292 tons, Capt. E. Yamamoto, from Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at Stonecutters.—O.S.K.

Glenagarry, British str., 12,300 tons, Capt. J. Angud, from Singapore, which port she left on February 12th, with a general cargo, lying at Kwloon Wharf.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Hai Ching, British str., 1,267 tons, Capt. A. H. Stewart, from Swatow, with 250 tons of general cargo, lying at Douglas, Lapraik & Co. Wharf.—British str., 1,205 tons, Capt. J. Maley, from Canton, lying at buoy No. C19.—B. & S.

Kathe, German str., 906 tons, Capt. H. Fransson, from Canton, lying at buoy No. C44.—Kwong Mow Tai.

(Continued on next Column).

DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

Derelict Junk Reported.

The master of the s.s. Vulcanus (Dutch) arriving from Tamsui reports having passed a derelict junk, keel uppermost on February 15th, at 2 p.m., in Lat. 23 deg. 30ft. and Long. 115 deg. 32ft. The master signalled a report to Waglan Light-house.

S.S. Tai Lee Sails.

Having effected repairs to her steering gear at Taikeo Docks during the Chinese New Year holidays, the s.s. Tai Lee left for Kwloon last night with Captain Bousfield in command. Capt. Midgley is ill and is now in the hospital. Mr. Brown of the s.s. Kwong Fook Cheong has gone to the s.s. On Lee as mate filling the vacancy made by the appointment of Mr. Bousfield as master of the s.s. Tai Lee. We learn that Mr. Stratton, formerly of Messrs. Douglas, Lapraik & Co., has gone to the Kwong Fook Cheong as mate in place of Mr. Brown.

Adatic Deck Passengers.

Fifteen vessels brought 1,090 Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday.

CLEARANCES.

February 16th.

Antung, for Amoy.
Belgenland, for Manila.
Canton Maru, for Swatow.
Chinkiang, for Hoihow.
Clara Jensen, for Saigon.
Empress of Australia, for Shanghai.
Empress of Swatow.
Hiram, for Swatow.
Lysemon, for Saigon.
Nam Sang, for Moji.
Soochow, for Swatow.
Tai Lee, for Canton.

February 17th.

Deli Maru, for Canton.
Huaph, for Shanghai.
Khiva, for Shanghai.
Protons, for Jesselton.
Venezia L, for Singapore.

The R.M.S. Empress of Russia arrived at Nagasaki on February 16th at 3 p.m. and left at 5 a.m. yesterday. She is due at Shanghai to-day at 7 a.m.

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"KHYBA"	9,135	16th Mar.	Marseilles and London
"KHYBA"	9,114	28th Mar.	Marseilles and London
"MALWA"	10,980	30th Mar.	Marseilles and London
"MIRZAPUR"	4,715	1st Apr.	Strait, Colombo and Bombay
"NADDERA"	10,689	18th Apr.	Strait, Marseilles and London
"KARMALA"	9,198	20th Apr.	Marseilles and London
"MANTUA"	10,446	27th Apr.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"NAGPORE"	9,353	4th May	Marseilles and London
"KALYA"	9,144	11th May	Marseilles and London
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"KASHMIR"	9,358	8th June	Marseilles and London
"JAYPORE"	9,318	15th June	Marseilles and London
"RAJPUTANA"	10,468	22nd June	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"KASHGAR"	9,005	29th June	Marseilles and London
"KANTHUA"	10,401	6th July	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"KHYBA"	9,114	13th Aug.	Marseilles and London
"MALWA"	10,980	20th Aug.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"KARMALA"	9,198	27th Aug.	Marseilles and London
"MOBEA"	10,963	4th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"MANTUA"	10,446	11th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
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"MAORONIA"	11,130	9th Nov.	Bombay, Marseilles and London
"KASHGAR"	9,005	23rd Nov.	Marseilles and London

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"TARADA"	8,849	25th Feb.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TALAMBA"	8,018	10th Mar.	do
"TALMA"	10,000	18th Mar.	do
"SANTHA"	7,244	11th Apr.	do
"TILAWA"	10,008	20th Apr.	do
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"TANDA"	6,366	1st Mar.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday
"ST. ALBAN"	4,300	30th Mar.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday
"ABAPURA"	6,000	31st Mar.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday
"TANDA"	6,366	31st Mar.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday

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SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN

Steamship	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
"TALMA"	10,000	3rd Feb.	Amoy, Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
"MIRZAPUR"	4,715	10th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
"MALWA"	10,980	14th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"NAGPORE"	9,353	4th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"ST. ALBAN"	4,300	5th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"GAMBADA"	5,307	6th Mar.	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka
"KHYBA"	9,114	8th Mar.	Shanghai
"NADDERA"	10,689	15th Mar.	Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama
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